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Monday – Friday | 9 AM – 12 PM, 1 – 4 PM
By Appointment Only

First Saturday of the Month | Closed

LIFESTYLE DESK | Daily | 8 AM – 5 PM
Business Center Only

MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE | Closed

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER | Closed

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE | Closed

SHADOWS RESTAURANT

Take-Out | Daily | 10 AM – 7 PM

GOLF SNACK BAR

Daily | 6 AM – 3 PM

SANTA ROSA BISTRO

Daily | 6 AM – 1 PM

MONTECITO CAFÉ | Closed

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

KIM FULLER | PRESIDENT

Given these crazy times that none of us have experienced before, it is easy to forget how much we truly can be thankful for. A neighbor greets me with a "good morning," I smile and reflect on the gift of this paradise. It is a pleasure meeting, talking, and working with so many great people. Even in the middle of a pandemic, we need to count our lucky stars.

Today I would like to take a moment to thank some of the many people who are doing so much for our community. It is easy to forget all the people who work hard to make this place a paradise. So many people on so many committees give their time so we all benefit. Too often, residents will think it is the Board that does all the work; but the members of each committee are putting in much of the effort. All these members make the difference between success and failure in creating a beautiful place to live. I thank them all for making the work of the Board so much easier.

If you know a committee member, stand up and recognize them. We can't say it loudly enough or often enough, given their dedication. Thanks to all the committee chairs for their service and unselfish dedication:

- **City Development Committee:**
Erica Hedlund
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So much happens so quickly. To get the most up-to-date information as soon as possible, you need to sign up for the email blast system. Using this, we can email messages directly to you from the HOA. The podcasts I have done, the brainchild of Robert Firing, are also distributed through this system. The news articles in *The View* are submitted only once a month, 30 days in advance; and, given current circumstances, a lot can happen in 30 days. If you sign up for the email blasts, when we send out new information, you will get it that day. The fact that there are more than 1,000 downloads for each podcast shows we are communicating quickly with those residents about how we are doing and any changes that are coming our way.

To sign up for email blast messages, please fill out the form on our community website. We are not allowed to send you messages without your permission. There is also a form you can complete if you want your email information to remain private. The more residents we sign up for this email communication, the more we are able to keep you up to date with everything that is happening here at Shadow Hills.

Once again, when the sun sets on this day, I will reflect on the beautiful sunrise, a good morning greeting, all the kind people who have gathered in this community, and again say to myself, "*It doesn't get any better than this.*"

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TREASURER'S REPORT

BRUCE MARLEY | TREASURER

SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Condensed Financial Information

Balance Sheets

As of April 30, 2020 and April 30, 2019

Assets:

Cash and cash equivalents

Certificates of deposit and investments

Property and equipment, net

Cash - chartered clubs

All other assets

Total Assets

Liabilities:

Accounts payable and accrued expenses

Assessments received in advance and deferred revenue

All other liabilities

Total Liabilities

Fund balances:

Operating

Chartered clubs

Property and equipment

Replacement

Total Fund Balances

Total Liabilities and Fund Balances

	April 30 2020 (Unaudited)	April 30 2019 (Unaudited)	December 31 2019 (Audited)
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 4,908,903	\$ 5,226,028	\$ 4,852,973
Certificates of deposit and investments	11,818,772	11,381,935	12,072,885
Property and equipment, net	1,617,938	833,381	808,611
Cash - chartered clubs	161,923	140,547	173,446
All other assets	519,312	480,025	294,865
Total Assets	\$ 19,026,849	\$ 18,061,916	\$ 18,202,780
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 615,101	\$ 1,018,960	\$ 1,143,555
Assessments received in advance and deferred revenue	715,586	700,466	606,607
All other liabilities	-	-	-
Total Liabilities	1,330,686	1,719,425	1,750,162
Operating	3,068,226	2,537,736	2,182,543
Chartered clubs	161,923	140,547	173,446
Property and equipment	1,617,938	833,381	808,611
Replacement	12,848,075	12,830,827	13,288,018
Total Fund Balances	17,696,162	16,342,491	16,452,618
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$ 19,026,849	\$ 18,061,916	\$ 18,202,780

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SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Condensed Financial Information

Statement of Revenues and Expenses - Unaudited

For the Four Months Ended April 30, 2020

Revenues:

Assessments	\$ 3,118,800	\$ 648,600	\$ 3,767,400
All other revenues	1,845,970	92,599	1,938,569
Total Revenues	4,964,770	741,199	5,705,969

Expenses:

Operating fund excluding depreciation expense	4,065,504	-	4,065,504
Replacement fund	-	225,188	225,188
Depreciation expense	160,211	-	160,211
Total Expenses	4,225,714	225,188	4,450,902
Chartered Club Activities, Net	(11,523)	-	(11,523)
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ 727,532	\$ 516,011	\$ 1,243,544

SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Condensed Financial Information

Statement of Changes in Fund Balances - Unaudited

Fund balances, beginning of year	\$ 3,164,600	\$ 13,288,018	\$ 16,452,618
Excess of revenues over expenses	727,533	516,011	1,243,545
Inter-fund transfers	955,954	(955,954)	-
Fund balances, as of April 30, 2020	\$ 4,848,087	\$ 12,848,075	\$ 17,696,162

SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Condensed Financial Information

Statement of monthly assessment

Number of units in Association

	Operating Fund	Replacement Fund	Total
			3,450

Summary of monthly assessment per unit:

Operating Fund, balanced budget	\$ 234.00	\$ -	\$ 234.00
Replacement Fund	-	47.00	47.00
Total monthly assessment before credit for prior year	234.00	47.00	281.00
Operating Fund, credit for prior year surplus	(8.00)	-	(8.00)
Total monthly assessment billed to unit owners	\$ 226.00	\$ 47.00	\$ 273.00

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Interested in joining a Committee? Stop by the HOA office and fill out an Advisory Committee Interest Form.



From The Library

BY CINDY DEGRAF

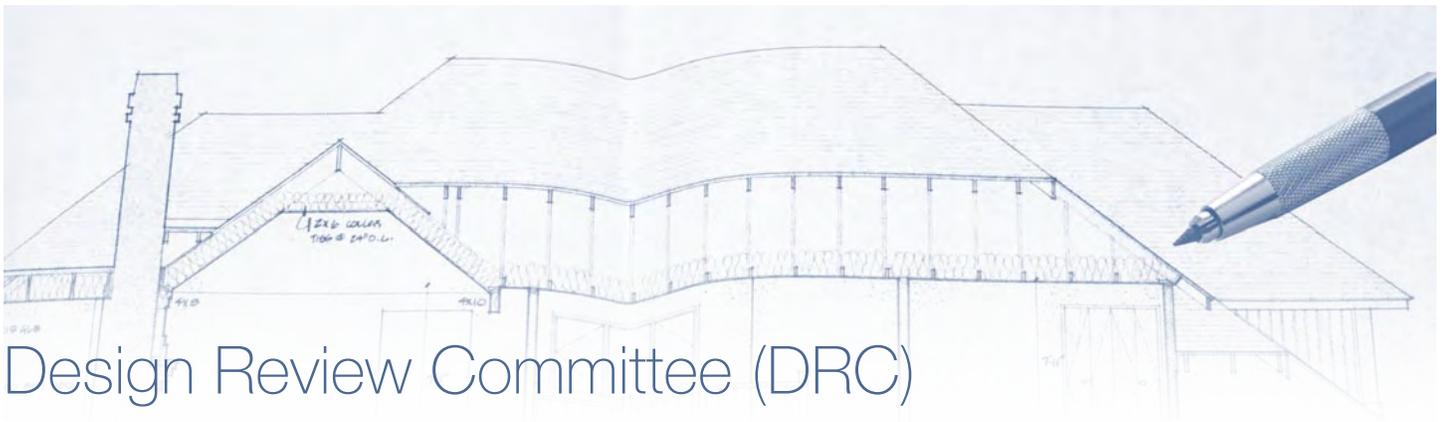
As this article goes to the publisher, the Montecito library is closed due to coronavirus concerns. Until further notice, we will not be taking any returns or donations. You will be notified when we are again up and operating.

Looking for ideas on what to read? Look online for book club lists or reading lists. Most know that Oprah started a book club over 20 years ago, but did you know that Reese Witherspoon has an extremely popular one as well? Another option for lists is the Goodreads site. Goodreads has great information and lists the most popular book club selections. You can access information on these sites at the links below:

- oprahmag.com/entertainment/books/g28750870/reese-witherspoon-book-club-list
- goodreads.com/shelf/show/book-club-recommendations

Another option is to sign up for online access to books from our Indio library. Go to www.rivlib.info for more info. As of this writing, the Palm Springs Library is also offering a free 90-day temporary card. Go to www.palmspringsca.gov/government/departments/library and click on "My Account" to register.

Please contact Barbara Perler at 760-772-4484 or baramp@verizon.net if you have any questions or comments about the library. Thank you for supporting our library, and stay safe.



Design Review Committee (DRC)

BY TED SHETTLER | CHAIR

At present we expect COVID-19 - related social distancing and contact-minimizing requirements to remain in force through the summer. This month I will describe the current procedures the Design Review Committee (DRC) and the Homeowners Association (HOA) staff are using to process, review, and close Home Improvement Applications (HIAs). These changes do not affect the timeline or the required content for HIAs, but the submission process has been modified. The changes do provide a contact-free method by which homeowners can submit an HIA and receive the results of the approval process.

The only way to submit an HIA, including its supporting documentation, is through the U.S. mail. Blank HIA forms are available online at www.scszca.com (from the HOA drop-down menu, choose 'Documents'). Alternatively, a homeowner may request a form from Ms. Santoyo by phone (760-345-4349, ext. 2105) or email (andrea.santoyo@associa.us), and she will provide it by email or U.S. mail.

As always, an HIA must contain all the information the DRC needs to evaluate and approve it. However, samples, such as artificial turf, cannot be submitted. Instead, include a photo of any sample and of any needed supporting documentation, such as the specification tag on artificial turf. On receipt, Ms. Santoyo will review your submission and contact you if any additional information or clarification is needed. Once complete, the DRC will review and assess the HIA at its next regularly scheduled meeting. Ms. Santoyo will notify the homeowner of the DRC's action. While these precautionary procedures are in place, only the

DRC Chairperson will sign an HIA.

By appointment, a homeowner can then pick up the approved Home Improvement Permit for an HIA from an outside drop box at the HOA office to display at their home.

My second subject is exterior maintenance. There is little that has a greater impact on our property values than maintenance. Well maintained neighborhoods present an attractive and desirable streetscape. On the other hand, even one poorly maintained residence can have a disproportionately adverse impact on an entire neighborhood. As our community matures, the issue of maintenance gains increasing importance. This is a good time to take a look at the exterior of your home, at the front yard, and at the condition of the exterior property walls that face common areas. Now is a good time to attend to necessary maintenance, especially where stone in the yard needs to be replenished or property walls need repainting.

Throughout the coming summer, the stress of high temperatures and low humidity can take a toll on non-indigenous plants. Being observant and taking action when plants start to show adverse effects will not only help our community look its best but will also be fiscally prudent.

Homeowners are using devices to provide shade for sun-sensitive plants, and many of them are unsightly. The Design Rules provide guidance for such shades. Please ensure that your plant coverings comply with the Design Rules.

Contact the author at designreview@scszca.com



SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Emergency Preparedness Sub-Committee (EPSC)

BY JEFF KIRKPATRICK | CHAIR

Cleaning Products That Destroy Coronavirus

Hello, everyone! The EPSC volunteers hope and pray you are all healthy, safe, and coping well with cabin fever! These are historically interesting times we live in, and hopefully by now we have experienced the worst of the current pandemic.

Did you know the coronavirus is one of the easiest types of viruses to kill if you have the appropriate product, according to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)? The virus has an envelope around it that allows it to merge with other cells to infect them.

If you disrupt that coating, the virus cannot do its job. Soap and water is one effective way to break that protective envelope. But there are other products you may already have at home or can buy from a store that will kill the virus. *Warning: the following cleaning products are NOT to be ingested in any form.*

BLEACH | The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend a diluted solution for virus disinfection (1/3 cup of bleach per 1 gallon of water, or 4 teaspoons of bleach per 1 quart of water.) Wear gloves while using bleach, and NEVER mix it with anything, especially ammonia. However, when doing laundry, bleach can be added with detergent. Bleach will degrade,

so do not keep it for more than a few days. Because bleach is highly corrosive, rinse bleached surfaces with water after disinfecting them.

HYDROGEN PEROXIDE | The CDC reports that household hydrogen peroxide (3%) is effective in deactivating rhinovirus, the common cold virus, and the coronavirus. Pour it undiluted into a spray bottle and spray it on the surface to be cleaned, letting it sit for at least a minute. Hydrogen peroxide is not corrosive to metals, but it will discolor fabrics. It decomposes into oxygen and water.



ISOPROPYL ALCOHOL (IA) | IA solutions with at least 70% alcohol are effective. Do not dilute IA out of the bottle. It is generally safe for all surfaces but can discolor some plastics. Alcoholic spirits (vodka, for example), although high proof, do not contain enough ethyl alcohol to kill the virus. Vinegar has not been proven effective against the coronavirus.

STORE-BOUGHT OPTIONS | On the container label, look for the product's registration number from the EPA, EPA Reg. No., followed by a number with a dash. Then go to www.epa.gov to see if the number is included on List N: Disinfectants for Use Against SARS-COV-2 (www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2). If the number is listed, the product can be used against the coronavirus. (This list includes only EPA-registered surface disinfectants, not hand sanitizers, which are regulated by the FDA.) EPA-registered products on List N include Clorox Multi-Surface Cleaner+Bleach (5813-105); Lysol Max Cover Disinfectant Mist (777-127); and CleanSmart (89896-2). Many of these products contain strong chemicals that can exacerbate asthma and allergies, especially in children and elders, so only use them when kids/elders are in another room.

Source: Consumer Reports Magazine, CR.Org June 2020, CR Insights, pg. 20. Environmental Protection Agency, www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2

Please become an EPSC Volunteer
and become prepared!
It really is quite easy!

Contact the author at epsc@scshca.com.



Riverside County Cooling Centers

*The Sun City Shadow Hills Emergency Preparedness Subcommittee
is publishing this for the benefit of our residents based on a
Riverside County press release.*

Cooling Centers Now Open Throughout Riverside County Offer Escape from Extreme Heat

With temperatures expected to remain in the triple digits through portions of the County, cooling centers opened on June 1 with modifications to accommodate coronavirus safety guidelines.

The 14 centers are open to the public at no cost. The centers will be available through October as temperatures warrant.

"Cooling centers make it possible for residents to escape extreme heat and high temperatures during the summer months, particularly those among the most vulnerable populations, like seniors," said Kim Saruwatari, Director of Public Health. "Safety precautions in the time of coronavirus are being implemented to further protect visitors."

Among the safety guidelines, all visitors and staff at the cooling centers are asked to wear face coverings and practice social distancing. High temperatures can be hazardous for many people, especially the elderly and those with medical conditions. Heat-related injuries such as heatstroke, an illness that occurs when the body can no longer regulate its temperature, can strike quickly and pose life-threatening consequences.

The cooling centers are coordinated by the Community Action Partnership of Riverside County, in conjunction with Riverside University Health System – Public Health, and are located in schools plus senior and community centers. Light refreshments and water are available at some locations.

For a list of cooling center locations, visit:

www.scshca.com/coolingcenters

Finance Advisory Committee (FAC)

BY BILL WETHE | CHAIR

Work Completed

During the month of June, the FAC continued its work with the Board as well as with DRM and Troon management including:

- Review and recommend Board approval of the unaudited May 2020 Association financial statements including the:
 - financial statements prepared by DRM/Associa, Troon, and the Controller.
 - combining and combined financial statements included in the Treasurer's report prepared by the Controller.
 - summary financial information on financial position and results of operations included in the Controller's report to the Board.
 - condensed Association financial information to be published in The View magazine.
- Review of the year-to-date variance analysis prepared by the Controller on the:
 - 2020 Operating Fund revenues and expenses.
 - 2020 Replacement Fund expenses for the purchase and replacement of common area real property components and inter-fund transfers to the Operating Fund for the purchase and replacement of common area personal property and equipment components.
- Review of the 2020 Forecast (5+7) of the Operating Fund and Replacement Fund as compared to the 2020 Budget and the 2020 4+8 Forecast prepared by the Controller.
- Review and recommend Board approval of the May 2020 bank statements, bank reconciliations, and investment account statements.
- Regular meeting of FAC held on June 19, 2020, via audio and video conference call.
- For the Board meeting on June 29, 2020:
 - preparation of the FAC monthly written report to the Board.
 - review of the Controller's monthly written report to the Board.



Work in Process

FAC and the FAC Subcommittee have several items we are working on including:

- Initial work on the 2021 Reserve Study component analysis including review of estimated remaining useful life and estimated replacement cost of common area real property components.
- Initial meeting with the Reserve Consultant on the preparation of the 2021 Reserve Study on June 4, 2020.
- Review of trends for construction cost inflation rates - materials and labor.
- Review and written comments and recommendations on the potential contract for bulk internet service with Frontier Communications Corporation.

We would like to add more members

As you may have already read, the Board approved the recommendation to add a new member to FAC on June 3, 2020. Welcome, to the Committee, Jerry Cavoretto! FAC now has two openings. We would love to hear from you if you have an interest in serving on the FAC or on the FAC Subcommittee. Please contact the author if you would like to discuss completing an Advisory Committee Interest Form. I would be pleased to talk about any questions you may have and provide important information to aid in your decision-making

Further information

Additional FAC Members: Larry Anderson, Steve Proia, Carey Thompson, Bob Giovannettone, Bob Jester, and Jerry Cavoretto. FAC Subcommittee Members on the Replacement Fund and Reserve Study: Chris Stevens, Don Salvatore, Steve Proia, Carey Thompson, and Bill Wethe, Chair.

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Health & Fitness Advisory Committee

BY HEIDI WORCESTER

Riding with Rick Schumacher

Bicycling and taking in the views is a wonderful experience any time of the year. Even during the heat of summer, Rick finds the perfect time of day to ride the open road. He really enjoys riding because he finds it less stressful on the joints and it makes him feel young and in shape.

Rick cycles with a group of SCSH residents who ride 30+ miles, three days a week. In fact, Rick clocked an average of 38 miles per day riding last year – quite a feat! The group meets around 7 am, sometimes earlier on triple-digit days, and rides around three hours. On occasion, they ride out to Palm Springs, take a break for coffee and chit chat, then ride back for a roundtrip of 50 miles, although COVID has currently sidelined those breaks so they can maintain a safe distance.

The key to a successful ride is preparation, including proper hydration and bicycle safety. Both Rick and Bob Firing (see below) use bike lanes, when available; wear protective equipment, including shoes and helmets; and obey the rules of the road. They didn't get to Sun City Shadow Hills by taking unnecessary chances on personal health and safety. Ride on!



Cruising with Bob Firing

During the fitness center closures, Bob decided that walking and cruising on his bike were a great alternative to stay fit and keep up an exercise routine.

On windy days Bob chooses to walk, and on calm days he hops on his bike for a 15+ mile cruise while enjoying the breeze created through movement. On his outings Bob has also gained more appreciation of our surroundings and unique geography, and he notes that he's always learning something new.

Keep an eye out for Bob and, if you see him, wave. He'll surely wave back!



Upcoming Event

- July 10 and 24, 10:30 am | Online Alzheimer's Support Group Meeting

Resources & Feedback

Exercise videos: www.scsorca.com

Login, select Fitness, then select Fitness Video Library

Email comments and suggestions to:

healthfitness@scsorca.com

OUR FIRST FOURTH IN REDONDO BEACH

BY BETH BOLDUC

In March 1997, my husband, Norm, and I were lucky enough to rent a gorgeous two-story townhouse overlooking the north side of the Redondo Beach pier. The townhouse was one of six nestled in a row in front of a nine-story, high-rise apartment/condo complex. Our extra parking spaces and garage were behind our townhouse next to the high-rise. So, we had private access for us and the high-rise only.



We were convenient not only to five-star, world-famous restaurants, but also beachfront, hole-in-the-wall eateries offering tasty meals, as well as shops of all kinds. Boating, ocean tours, and fishing services launched from the pier inlets. All this was literally just across the street.

Straight ahead across a parking lot just behind Ruby's Diner was a lagoon bordered by a small grassy park with a sandy children's beach that included a splash area. Everything overlooked the open ocean with the Redondo marina and several boutique hotels to the right. Bike lanes lined the street that curved in a "U" shape just in front of our first-floor walled patio. Those trails continued more than 50 miles past

Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, LAX airport, Venice Beach, and all the way to Malibu. Our wraparound, walkout second-story deck was positioned directly above the patio. Obviously, there was a fabulous view of the open ocean and pier any time of the day.

As the Fourth of July holiday approached, we kept hearing about the fabulous fireworks display on the beach. We asked neighbors and shop owners about where the fireworks were held. "Across the street" was a common answer, so we figured we would take a blanket and sit in the park when the time came. We were very naïve. We had no idea how packed the beach area gets on holidays! By 10:30 am, all of the parking for miles around was almost taken including the 1,500 spaces in the pier lots. Traffic was heavy all day as more and more people kept streaming in.

Families with children swarmed by in droves loaded down with coolers, blankets, mini-grills, and anything they could roll or carry! It was fun to walk out our door, cross the street, and mingle with the crowd so we could tap into their excitement. All the kids were jumping for joy, playing games and talking about the upcoming fireworks display. Grills sizzled with hot dogs and hamburgers. The cooking smells were almost edible!

Since the park was already completely full by 11:30 am and it was apparent the crowd was there to stay, we opted to view the fireworks from our townhouse deck. But we vowed to get a better position next year once we learned where they were set off.

During the rest of the afternoon, we roamed the beach area and pier on both sides, enjoying the hustle bustle of holiday celebrating. There was no doubt the Fourth was a BIG DEAL on Redondo Pier. Later, after we had seen enough and needed a rest, we sat on our deck watching the crowds while enjoying a mid-day snack and a pitcher of appropriate "beach cocktails."

We were so busy watching people rollerblade and bike the strip that we didn't notice all the activity in the lagoon as a barge was pulled in.



About 8 pm, as the sky started to darken, the traffic on the street in front of us thickened considerably. Things were really backing up. By then there was no parking left within 10 blocks of the beach. The streets all around were packed with late-comers looking for parking; everyone wanted to be at the beach to see the display.

By 8:30 pm, the two-lane street came to a complete halt. It was still 30 minutes before the fireworks were scheduled to commence. The few police officers available could do nothing to clear traffic. Unable to move, people got out of their cars. Some dug out their folding chairs and got comfy while others set off small fireworks in the middle of the street. It was pretty festive! We were liking the Fourth...we had fireworks, too.

Then, at 9 pm, the official fireworks started. OMG! Until then, we didn't realize we had first-class prime seating! People would have paid \$100 apiece to sit on our balcony! The gorgeous 45-minute display burst open right above us, spilling out in all directions. These weren't cheap pyrotechnics, either. Streamers of sparkling red, gold, green, silver, and blue lights with stars, streaks, and rockets crossed the sky overhead. I almost got a sore neck from looking up. Simple "ooh's" and "aah's" didn't do it justice.

How lucky were we to have front-row seats for all the activities, all day on the Fourth! No doubt friends and family were going to come to our place next year...and they did for the four years we lived in the townhouse. The immense "grand finale" display at the end of the show was overwhelming! Glowing colors and textures sparkled and dripped long streamers down upon us. At times I thought the embers might land on us. Each exploding display overwrote the other as "The Star-Spangled Banner" played. The finale covered the sky and seemed to go on forever!



Then, suddenly, the festivities were over. As the smoke from the fireworks cleared, people in the park, throughout the lagoon, and all around the pier packed up their coolers, chairs, kids, blankets, and grills to head home. After about 20 minutes, the stalled traffic started to move again. By 10:30 pm, the celebrating had ended for another year.

But, boy, would we be ready for next year!

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COMING TO AMERICA

BY MARITA BARKER

In 1961, my sister Freda had met Pat, an American GI stationed in Baumholder, Germany. They were planning to get married. Pat was coming to ask my parents for my sister's hand and brought his best friend, Steve, along for moral support.

There was an immediate attraction between Steve and me, and the next three days were like a whirlwind. On the third day he proposed.

I was barely 16 years old, had just graduated college, and was not crazy about Horst, the guy my parents wanted me to marry. I would have married Horst, because that's just the way it was in our little Bavarian Village in the Alps. But now I had feelings I had never experienced before; and it was new, exciting, and beautiful.

Oh dear, now how to convince my parents? Almost daily I would beg them to please support my choice. My parents were not bothered by the fact that I was Roman Catholic and Steve was Jewish. Their concern was my age and moving to a foreign country. My dad also struggled with the fact that he had been captured by the Americans during World War II.

The requests for permission to get married had now been going on for over a year. I was hoping that, at one point or another, my parents would remember the ordeal they went through to get my grandparents' blessing back when they wanted to get married. One day my dad asked all of us to leave so he could have a conversation with Steve to discuss matters. Between my dad's little bit of English and Steve's little bit of German, they came to some sort of understanding; and we finally got his blessing. I never found out what they discussed.

Around that time, I was asked to meet with Steve's Company Commander. Steve was his driver, so I thought it was just a formality or curiosity on his part. We chatted, and periodically the CO would ask me a personal question. He ended the conversation by letting me know that he was happy for us both and wished us well. I found out later that Steve's mother had contacted him to ask for his support in trying to stop our marriage.

This was just the beginning. The next step was to get approval from the German court because I was underage, and then there was a ton of paperwork we needed to complete for the marriage and immigration.

Once the approval process was complete, the reality that I was going to be living and raising a family in a foreign country set in. I had been so focused on the romantic and subsequent marriage aspects of our relationship that I had ignored everything else. It hit me like a ton of bricks!

First of all, I was entering into a possible hostile relationship with my future mother-in-law, who was unhappy about her Jewish son marrying a Catholic German and had gone to great lengths in her attempt to stop the marriage. But even more important, I needed to consider that, if America ever went to war again with Germany, my children could have to fight against my brother's children. How would I deal with that? Could I deal with that? It was a horrifying thought! I agonized over this, had some disturbing dreams, and finally became determined to deal with the possibility as rationally as I could, hoping it would never come to pass.





Bottom line, I was very much in love with this American Soldier named Steve, and we wanted to get married. This meant leaving my family and my home in Germany to build a new life in America. I needed to be able to commit wholeheartedly to making The United States of America my home and become a responsible citizen. I immigrated on May 3, 1963.

My sister and I made a promise to each other that only English would be spoken in our homes for several reasons: we wanted to make sure her daughter Carola, and any future children of ours, would not be hindered in any way. We also wanted to perfect our English at the same time. Everything was foreign and new. Just translating spices for cooking at times was not an easy task. I still have to chuckle when I think of how long it took me to find out that muskatnuss, a small nut I used to grate into bread dumplings as an added spice, came already ground and was called nutmeg.

Studying for the citizenship exam was the next hurdle. I studied hard, and I was determined to learn as much as I could about the country of my choice to pass the exam on my first try. My husband, our friends, and my sister-in-law Andrea helped. They quizzed me whenever there was an opportunity. Everything was good except naming the states. I always came up with one extra. We finally figured out I was including Arkansas twice, once the way it was written, and then the way it was pronounced!



I passed my citizenship test with flying colors and was sworn in at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in Los Angeles, California, on January 22, 1971.

I am so proud to be an American!

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“TOUCHED”

BY RAY FAY, M.D. (RETIRED)

What does it mean “to be touched?” Why is “touching” so important to us? Who is allowed “to touch?” How do you explain “being touched?”

The deaths of two black Americans by suffocation particularly touched me because their deaths were so unnecessary. One incident was on July 17, 2014, in New York City, when a police baton crushed a man’s throat (airway). On May 25, 2020, in Minneapolis, a second citizen died when a policeman placed his knee on the man’s neck for nearly nine minutes while two other officers reportedly put their feet on the man’s chest.

Recently, seeing “choke holds” on the necks of non-violent protesters has touched me and personally offended me. As a young medical student, I was taught to perform CPR and to follow the ABCs:

A: protect the airway; B: assess breathing; C: establish cardiac function (a heartbeat)

A “choke hold” purposefully deprives someone of the ABCs of life.

I was also “touched” when I read this quote from the diary of an unknown Israeli student, a Holocaust survivor, after he visited a concentration camp in Plaszow, Poland: “How can it be that men got up in the morning, drank their coffee, kissed their wives and children goodbye, and then went to work – work that meant degradation and killing people?”

When Pavarotti sang, he touched me. Music opens the mind and heart. It brings harmony to life. When Dr. Albert Schweitzer healed the sick, he touched me. Vice President Biden’s recent speech calling for national unity also touched me.



That I was touched showed me that I am alive and that I can, and need, to add my voice and stories.

When I was around 13 years of age, just learning to read and write as a new Chinese immigrant in San Francisco in 1954, I was inspired by stories of missionary doctors like Dr. Albert Schweitzer in Africa, Dr. James Dooley in An-Nam (Viet Nam), and Dr. James Turpin in the South China Sea. Their experiences influenced me to become a doctor.

I saw film of Dr. Schweitzer in his white coat, walking among his African patients and physically touching them. They returned his love and commitment by the glint of hope in their eyes. Their eyes said “thank you.”

When I walked with Dr. Turpin through his clinics in remote reaches of Kowloon and in a shelter for sampan squatters in Hong Kong harbor, I saw appreciation and thanks in the eyes of his patients. That day, we handed out donated “outdated” antibiotics to treat an epidemic of scarlet fever.

As I made postoperative rounds at Westwood UCLA Hospital with Dr. Joseph J. Kaufman, Chairman of Urology, I saw him listen to the chest of each one of his dozens of patients. I once asked Joe, “You are a urologist; what do you hear from your stethoscope?” He counseled, “Ray, I need to touch my patients to let them know I care.” Again, I saw appreciation and

love returned from his patients. Each reached out and physically touched Joe in return. They shook his hand, brushed the tops of his hands, or grasped his shoulders with a “hug.” He gave his patients hope of recovery, and they returned his love.

During my own practice of medicine, I touched over 10,000 patients. I listened to their “breath sounds” with my stethoscope. I touched their diseased organs to heal or remove them. I repaired and built unfinished organs that were not quite complete at birth, then watched those babies grow into normal adults. We touched each other.

“My Pavarotti moments” show my willingness and need to be touched. With the ABCs of life, we can flourish in life. Without them, we are insensate and dead.

Please join me, stand up, take a deep breath, and let your humanity be “touched.”

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Correction

In the June 2020 issue of *The View*, on page 12, we regret there were errors in some of the subjects’ names. Lew Cando should be Lew Mullen and Terri Boehm should be Terry Boehm.

THEY KEEP WORKING TO SAVE LIVES

BY STEVE TALBOT

PHOTOS FROM EISENHOWER HEALTH, THE LAFERRIERES, AND ROSE BRZOSKA

You know, I felt pretty frustrated during the first two months of COVID-19. I couldn't play golf, visit with friends, go out for a fancy steak dinner, or get my hair cut. Then, I was introduced to neighbors Ray and Kate Laferriere and Rose Brzoska. While I was sitting at home brooding about my lot in life, they were working at Eisenhower Health (the hospital) so people could stay healthy.



Ray and Kate Laferriere vacationing in Aruba

Ray is an ambulatory systems analyst. Kate does stress testing as a cardiac nurse. Rose has the job title of cardiac sonographer. Each has a vital role, even though they may not all be

involved directly with the hospital's COVID patients. Ray is part of a team responsible for designing, implementing, and maintaining the software in the machines that do the hospital's medical testing, which now includes COVID-19. He also has to make sure the testing equipment is talking to the Electronic Medical

Records System. The problem is there was no protocol for a COVID-19 test because, until the virus hit the U.S., no one knew it existed.

"Requesting new testing equipment is a lengthy process. Each involved department has to sign off on what it will cost and what the effects will be," Ray said. "Normally, it takes about two months. When we were told it was needed yesterday, we worked really hard and adapted the machines for COVID pretty quickly. Then, because the government determined our county was not suffering as much as some other areas of the country, Eisenhower could not buy as many swabs and kits as it needed for the testing."



Ray Laferriere instrument testing



Kate Laferriere conducting an EKG stress test

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Ironically, while patients were being tested, Ray, Kate, Rose, and those not assigned to COVID patients or exhibiting symptoms were not. The reason? Not enough testing kits to go around.

Rose's job does not expose her to COVID patients. Outpatients are screened for the virus before she



Rose Brzoska

administers echocardiograms (ECHOS) to determine the mechanical functions of their hearts. Rose also helps in the operating room by imaging heart functionality before transcatheter aortic valve replacements and after the surgery to make sure there's no leaking or stenosis. She wears full sterile garb.

However, Rose has not been called into a COVID operating room because ECHOS for those patients "have to be approved as really necessary by the cardiologist." To Rose's knowledge, the hospital has not done an ECHO on a COVID patient.



Rose Brzoska in scrubs

Still, Rose has had close calls. Back in March she had a COVID scare. "I couldn't smell anything and had no sense of taste. I was getting a little congested and had

a piercing fever. They said I wasn't qualified to be tested because I didn't have any respiratory issues."

Then, Employee Health informed Rose in May that she had been exposed to a COVID patient on April 15. "I felt fine and didn't have symptoms. I wasn't tested again because the 15-day incubation period had expired by then, so I was no longer contagious," said Rose.

Fate may have Kate on the COVID front line in the future because she spent 14 years as an Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nurse before switching to cardiology. "I never thought I would go back to the ICU. It's a very strenuous job. But, when COVID-19 came upon us, the hospital put out a call for help in the ICU, if we got a surge. I felt I had to step up and volunteer. So far, there has not been a big surge but, if there is, they can count on me. I will be there," Kate told me.

As of June, the three say Eisenhower had not reached full patient capacity. Heart attack cases have "declined dramatically because people are staying home," Kate thinks. "They are either suffering through a small attack or succumbing to a larger one. And those people aren't getting tested. So, if they have COVID and a heart attack, we don't know. If you are feeling symptoms, call 9-1-1. First responders and the hospital will do everything they can to keep you safe and free from COVID."

They say the hospital is prepared for a surge in the fall, and all are happy to have their jobs. Ray and Kate worry about their sons and families who have lost jobs during the pandemic and for the people enduring this crisis alone. Rose renewed her faith in wearing masks. "Back in the old days, when people would come down with the flu and who knows what else, all we had was the mask to protect us. Now, it's a layer of protection for everyone."

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WHO WAS THAT MASKED MAN?

BY CARL RIGOLI

When I was a kid, I remember reading comic books about my heroes, who were the Lone Ranger and Tonto, Batman and Robin, Superman, Dick Tracy, Flash Gordon, and Roy Rogers and Dale Evans. In the 1950s, my heroes became real when they appeared in our new form of entertainment, the television serial.

As in the comic books, some characters wore masks to disguise themselves. The Lone Ranger always had a mask on, and he was even called The Masked Man. And then there was Zorro (the fox so cunning and free) with his rapier gleaming as he left his mark and rode his steed into the night!

Then it was easy to tell who the good and bad guys were. Good guys wore masks over their eyes and nose. Bad guys wore bandanas over their nose and mouth and always wore black, especially when robbing a train or a stagecoach. Or being chased by the Lone Ranger. My friends and I would be glued to the tiny TV screen, shouting, "He's the bad guy! No, the guy with the bandana is the bad guy."

When my wife and I go to the supermarket, I feel like we're sneaking out because we have to wear masks. I mean, if you have to wear a mask, there must be something sinister about it! Kind of like, "I'm here and I'm going to steal your food. Don't touch your face or I'll shoot!" We also put on plastic gloves, plus a hat to protect us from low-flying germs. I haven't actually seen any low-flying germs yet, but I see everyone looking around while they are shopping. Maybe they're just trying to tell who the bad guys are, too.

See, I could always tell who the bad guys were by their bandanas. But now everyone looks like a bad guy, including the checkers. I have seen people crash their shopping carts, distracted by other people's masks (especially the skulls and ski masks). It also seems like everyone is in a hurry to randomly grab food off the shelves and get out. I get the feeling that some of them don't care what they are buying as long as their shopping cart is full. Dinner might be potato chips *à la marinara* with a side of chocolate marshmallows and a bottle of wine. They have no idea.

When we finally get to the checkout counter, the cashier is looking at us suspiciously, and we are looking the same way at her. Everyone is starting to look paranoid. A guy in front of us in line, wearing a red bandana, proclaims to his wife, "Throw down the box!" Now I am really freaking out, wondering if this is a bad guy in disguise, or a good guy in a bad disguise. And if any of these people are contagious! The guy's wife promptly places a cardboard container of Cabernet Sauvignon on the conveyor belt. As you can see, confusion abounds.

I loved my masked heroes. Everything was so easy to understand back then. Now, I look forward to when we will be free of the masks, so necessary at this time. And when the supermarket is a friendly place again, and I can stop worrying about bad guys vs. good guys.

Best of all, however, I'm looking forward to when I can take my morning walk and wish an unmuffled good morning to – was that my neighbor? A friend? A gym colleague? I certainly can't tell from their muffled reply. But it really doesn't matter. As far as I'm concerned, anyone out there walking right now is a good guy; and it is refreshing to know how many of us are still enjoying life and toughing it out together.

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AT THE DMV:

How Things Have Changed with the Pandemic

BY ARNOLD CHOY

In January 2020, I received notification that my California Driver's License was to expire on April 19. Shortly thereafter, I went online and the earliest appointment that I could get was on March 21, at 3:40 pm at the Palm Desert DMV on Technology Drive, off the Cook Street exit from the freeway. I also decided to get a REAL ID as well.

The notice stated that I would have to take vision and knowledge tests, so I got online and started reviewing a bunch of different tests on youtube.com. I took about a dozen or so, from 10 to 50 questions, and (quite honestly) I did not do too well. But I did do better on the final test.

On the day before my appointment, I received a text message to register with DMV via something called ID.me (they sent a link). I thought I had already done this when I made the appointment, but I went ahead and did it again. And, of course, I had to do it twice because I had problems with the app on my iPhone. (It froze. It really wasn't my fault).



Photo courtesy of RMA Architectural Photography

On the day of my appointment, I drove into a vacant parking lot (huh?) and parked in front of the entrance. A rather bored security guard looked me over as I entered the building to be met by a smiling and friendly "greeter" who asked me the time of my

appointment and if I had registered online. Satisfied with my answers, she then waved me into a totally empty office with only five employees chatting with one another. Yes, I was the ONLY customer in the entire building. I said to myself, "Is this really the DMV?"

After turning over the necessary documents (renewal notice, driver's license, birth certificate, social security card, passport, and IID invoice), I had a thumbprint taken and paid \$37 for the renewal fee (I could only use a debit card). Then it was time to take the vision test.

Before it began, I told the tester that I had had Lasik monovision surgery, so one eye was for distance and one eye was for closeness and I couldn't take the "normal" eye test. She had no idea what I was trying to tell her, so she informed me that I would need a "doctor's note" explaining my condition and that I had to make another appointment with DMV.

I explained that five years ago I didn't have to go through that and that I used a piece of equipment that reminded me of looking into a periscope. When she didn't respond, I said, "I don't need to get a damn doctor's note and have to come back here again." Suddenly, her co-worker told me to follow her to the "periscope" as she was trained in using it. I aced five of the six tests and could clearly read line one.

Finally, I had my photo taken and aced that process, too. Smile and say "cheese." Boy, this concierge service is not bad at all!

What started out as a long and tedious journey into the usually crowded and bewildering world of the DMV ended in a scant 15 minutes. Trust me, that will never, ever, ever happen again.

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ARE YOU BORED YET?

BY VICKI PRINCE

Social distancing is great to curb a pandemic, but it can get a bit boring. To make matters worse, we are likely to be housebound come the heat of July, August, and September. So here's a tongue-in-cheek suggestion to keep this down time more interesting.

Take out your calendar and note these special holidays and observances. Then each day, find a way to celebrate them. For example, this past March 31 was World Backup Day. Of course, I knew it meant to back up my computer files, but that's no fun. So how did I celebrate? I walked backwards around my house for 30 minutes. I now have to find out what day I can celebrate my bruises from bumping into things.

July is National Anti-Boredom Month.

That's what this article is trying to ease.

JULY 2 | I Forgot Day. How can you be bored when you can't remember anything?

JULY 3 | Eat Beans Day and Disobedience Day. Eat beans with your knife. How disobedient is that?

JULY 14 | National Nude Day. Please stay indoors to celebrate.

JULY 20 | Ugly Truck Day. Please don't damage any vehicles while celebrating this holiday.

JULY 24 | Tell an Old Joke Day and National Tequila Day. If you drink enough tequila, you'll be the old joke.

JULY 27 | Take your houseplants and/or take your pants for a walk. National Nude Day has passed. If you take a walk, wear your pants. Houseplants are optional.

JULY 31 | Mutt's Day. Take your loveable mutt for a walk. You can take your dog, too.

August is Admit You're Happy Month.

It starts off with a bang.

AUGUST 1 | International Hangover Day. Need I say more? Note: it's an *international* holiday.

AUGUST 5 | National Underwear Day. Feel free to lounge around the house all day.

AUGUST 6 | Wiggle Your Toes Day. Best done without shoes.

AUGUST 7 | International Beer Day. Repeat August 1 and 5.

AUGUST 10 | Lazy Day. Repeat all of August. This is why it's admit you're happy month.

AUGUST 18 | Bad Poetry Day. Roses are red, violets are blue. If you are bored, chew on your shoe.

AUGUST 22 | Tooth Fairy Day. Put your false teeth in a very safe hiding place.





September is Self-Improvement Month. After the hot summer, anything is an improvement.

SEPTEMBER 1 | Emma M. Nutt Day. She was the first woman telephone operator. Celebrate by sending a bag of assorted nuts to all your friends.

SEPTEMBER 4 | World Beard Day. After five months of being housebound, maybe it's time to shave.

SEPTEMBER 5 | Be Late for Something Day. Aren't we always late for something?

SEPTEMBER 13 | Defy Superstition Day, also Fortune Cookie Day. Isn't this a bit contradictory? How can you fight superstition but believe what your fortune cookie says? Unless your fortune cookie tells you to defy superstition.

SEPTEMBER 16 | Collect Rocks Day. This is easy. Just go out your back door and rummage around.

SEPTEMBER 19 | Talk Like a Pirate Day. This should drive your spouse crazy if you haven't already done so.

SEPTEMBER 23 | Dogs in Politics Day. Didn't Barbara Boxer retire?

SEPTEMBER 28 | Ask a Stupid Question Day. Well, that shouldn't be too hard.



Happy end of summer and, hopefully, the pandemic!



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TREMBLING WITH ANTICIPATION: The New CA Earthquake App

BY GINA STAR POLLACK

I grew up in New York City and dreamed of living in Los Angeles. When I was ready to make the cross-country move, I gathered my family and friends and made the exciting announcement. Expecting cheers and congratulations, I was shocked at their unanimous reaction: "Are you crazy? There are earthquakes in LA...you're going to die!"

Always the optimist, I scoffed at their fears. "Don't worry, most earthquakes are small, with very minor damage. And let's not forget about the snowstorms, hurricanes, and floods right here on the East Coast." Armed with my adventurous spirit, I moved to Southern California and trembled with anticipation waiting for my first earthquake!

Over the past 40 years, I've become a veteran earthquake survivor. While living in Westwood, I experienced my first significant temblor. As I stood under a doorway, books and pictures flew off the walls and bookshelves, nearly suffocating my cat, Bianca. Afterward, every time a large truck rumbled by, she meowed and ran under the bed for cover.

At our home in Manhattan Beach, we had a huge aquarium mounted on the wall. One afternoon a significant quake reverberated through the house. The ground rocked so crazily that one-third of the water sloshed out of the tank. Helpless, we watched orange striped clownfish, electric blue angelfish, and pink seahorses spill out onto the slate floor. As soon as the rocking stopped, it was a race to see who would catch the fish first, the cat, or us!

As the head of HR working in high-rise office buildings, I organized earthquake drills for employees. Ever proactive, I wondered what it would be like to have an early warning system. Even a few precious minutes could save lives and minimize damage. I've always been on the lookout for new technology to aid in prevention.

Recently our community was rocked by a 4.9 earthquake centered in Anza, approximately 41 miles from Indio. Wow, the powerful temblor was a prolonged, rocking, seemingly never-ending quake. It left me disoriented, nauseous, and fearful of



Mmmm, meow, what's shakin' for dinner!

aftershocks. Stressed and isolated at home because of COVID-19, this earthquake rocketed my anxiety level skyward.

Then I remembered reading about a new early warning earthquake app for California. Pleased to have found a productive focus for my nerves, I researched various apps before downloading the *QuakeAlertUSA* app onto my iPhone. I was determined to be better prepared for the next quake.



QuakeAlertUSA App with shaking countdown

This app is unique because it gives you the ability to see a countdown before shaking begins. Depending upon the location, depth, and magnitude of the earthquake's epicenter, you can receive a warning of 10 to 60+ seconds. Enough time to yell, "Earthquake,

duck, and cover," to your family and get your furry friends to safety.

Other apps offer early earthquake warnings, but they don't have the countdown or the ability to tailor notifications for weak, light, or moderate shaking. QuakeAlertUSA utilizes the U.S. Geological Survey's shake alert system powered by hundreds of quake sensors in California.

Users can personalize the app for warnings of three levels on the Modified Mercalli Intensity Scale. The Level 3 alert triggers a warning for weak quakes, which would be felt by people indoors and cause vehicles to rock. Level 4 alerts ring your phone, warning of more substantial shaking when there could be damage to walls in homes. I set a Level 4 alert on my app.

You can also set your app to notify you if a Level 5 quake happens. These intense quakes can cause extensive damage to homes and toss unstable furnishings around. When an alert is triggered, you hear, "Beep, beep, beep, earthquake shaking is expected."

Scientists advise that the countdown feature on the app should be used with caution since actual shaking can occur even before the countdown hits zero. Therefore, users should not wait for the seconds to tick down before dropping, covering, and holding on. They should immediately take protective action since earthquakes are complex.

Armed with my QuakeAlertUSA app, I feel a little more prepared to deal with the certainty of earthquakes living in SCSH. To my family and friends still dealing with bitter cold snowstorms and wind-whipping thunderstorms back East, I say, "With my new app, I'm happily trembling with anticipation to shake my bootie!"

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TOURING IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT FACILITIES

In late February 2020, both of us signed up for two, no-cost, 3.5-hour tours offered by IID. One day we visited IID's electrical generating facilities, and on the second we saw the various ways water is controlled and distributed throughout the Imperial Valley.

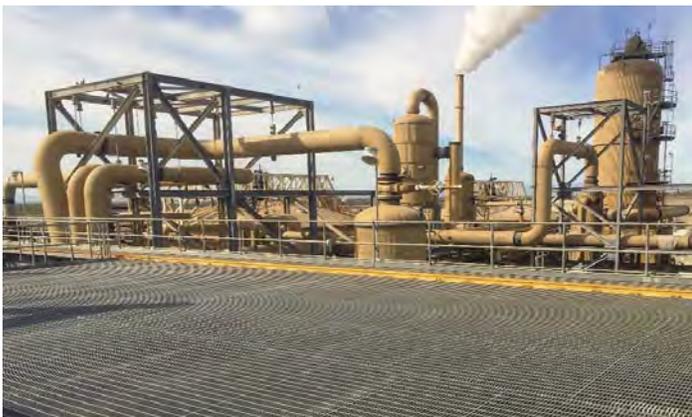
Electricity from "Down Under"

BY GEORGE ERHART

I'm sure most Sun City Shadow Hills residents are aware, and appreciative, of the fact that our electrical rates are considerably cheaper than the other company that serves the Coachella Valley. But did you know that our provider, Imperial Irrigation District (IID), drilled deep into "Mother Earth" to reach the source of our electricity?

Almost all the electricity that IID creates and sells comes from a geothermal plant located near the southern end of the Salton Sea. The process required drilling approximately 5,000 feet down to reach and then extract hot brine. The brine must first be "cleaned," which requires several processes, before the resulting "clean" steam can be used to power the generators that produce our electricity. Then, the remaining "dirty brine" is sent back down where it came from via another mile-long drill hole.

On our tour we visited IID's geothermal plant, where we had to climb four flights of stairs to view the immense facility that provides year-round electricity to 150,000 customers. What an affordable and sustainable solution to reduce dependence on fossil fuels!



An IID geothermal electrical power plant

Next, our tour bus took us to Niland, two miles southeast of the Salton Sea, where we visited the District's backup power plant. This plant runs on natural gas, and it kicks in to assure uninterrupted power when needed because of high demand, transmission problems, or downtime at the geothermal plant.

After touring the facility, we again boarded the bus and drove through acres and acres of solar panels that provide yet another clean source of power. Because this electricity is generated by the sun, and at times may exceed demand, IID uses a new technique to store excess power in batteries where it can be accessed when needed.



The IID solar panels

In this period of global warming, it's nice to know that the electricity we use every day is coming to us from an environmentally friendly source, all at a rate that is considerably less expensive than nearby providers.

Water that Helps Feed the Nation

BY ARNOLD CHOY

The relaxing 85-mile drive to the City of Imperial gave us a view of the Salton Sea for most of the way. Upon arrival and check-in, we were offered bottled

water, coffee, and snacks just as a 30-minute slide show began. After a brief history of IID (organized in 1911), we learned about the importance of the mighty 1,450-mile-long Colorado River system and how it, in conjunction with the 80-mile All-American Canal, is the lifeblood for the Imperial Valley and parts of the Coachella Valley. Did you know that, over 1,000 years ago, all of the Coachella and Imperial Valleys were underwater?

An intricate network, including water apportionment (or water budgeting), conservation programs, and many automated “locks” are systematically controlled and monitored by IID workers using laptop computers. Our narrated, air-conditioned bus tour took us on a sightseeing journey to view a variety of different farms, reservoirs, dams, gates, sprinkler systems, and money-saving irrigation systems.



One of a multitude of IID irrigation “locks.”

As the fourth largest irrigation district in the nation, IID delivers water to nearly a half-million acres of precious and fertile farmland in one of the most productive agricultural areas of the U.S. IID also manages the largest gravity-fed irrigation system in the Western Hemisphere to help support over 300 farms spread throughout the Imperial Valley. The number one crop is alfalfa; bell peppers are at number 80; and lettuce, carrots, broccoli, and corn are in the top 12. Altogether, these crops generated over \$984M in gross value in 2018.

We were totally surprised as we cruised by a few “hemp” farms. And we were also astounded to find out that Imperial Valley-grown cattle are the single largest commodity by dollar volume. It’s no wonder that the small city of Brawley reopened its processing plant in 2016. Two years later, there are close to



Irrigating an Imperial Valley farm

380,000 head of cattle, contributing nearly \$500M in gross value. In addition, there are 52 farms growing organic crops on nearly 47,000 acres, generating close to \$182M in gross value.

Finally, we discovered that the water runoff from all of these farms directly feeds into the neighboring Salton Sea. We doubted that this was a good thing, even though our tour guide attempted to give it a positive spin when we asked about the various chemicals in the water runoff. Kind of sounded like fake news to us.

The Colorado River, which begins at the La Poudre Pass in the southern Rocky Mountains of Colorado and is just under two miles above sea level, flows southwest through parts of seven states and provides a water source for over 40M people. Continuing south towards the U.S. – Mexico border just past Yuma, AZ, the river then flows into the All-American Canal.

Here is where nature takes over as five sub-canals branch off the All-American and are able to flow north to the Imperial and Coachella Valleys because of gradient elevation changes up to 175 feet high. From this highpoint, the water flows towards its lowest point, which happens to be north. It took me a while to grasp that logic looking at a flat map of the area. The water that doesn’t branch off the All-American continues across the border to the tip of the Gulf of California between Baja California and Sonora, gently spilling into the gulf.

Ain’t Mother Nature grand?



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Lifestyle Update

CONNIE KING | LIFESTYLE DIRECTOR

While sheltering in place, the Lifestyle Director and Lifestyle Advisory Committee are committed to providing innovative ways to “stay connected!”

The “Stay Connected” page is becoming quite popular. Our online cooking class, candle making project, watch parties, beautiful garden tours, and more, are keeping residents virtually connected. We wish to extend our appreciation to Sun City Shadow Hills Desert Gardeners, who recently joined the page. We hope you enjoyed their beautiful garden tours and helpful irrigation tips. Also, thanks to Lee Powell for sharing his culinary skills for Monday Fun Day! Finally, congratulations to Barbara Shepardson for winning last month’s trivia contest.

In response to the survey, results indicate Zoom, Facebook, and Twitter are the most popular social media platforms.

We hope that, during this time, you have found joy in sprucing up the garden, read a good book or two, watched an old Western flick, and danced. Something as simple as receiving a handwritten postcard from a dear friend was enough to brighten my day during these times.

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Sun City Shadow Hills
by Don Webb

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LIFESTYLE'S "STAY CONNECTED"

Weekly Lifestyle Activities

- HAPPY Father's DAY** (June 2020)
- Monday Fun Day** | Share Something Fun
- TRIVIA**
- WINE DOWN Wednesday** | WEEKLY WINE TIPS
- Thoughtful Thursday** | SHARE AN INSPIRATIONAL QUOTE
- THEATER**
- COMEDY CORNER** | Winner of the Criminal Lawyers Award Contest . . . [Click Here to the Watch Video](#)
- Readers Ink Book of the Month**
- THE VIEW** (June 2020)

Chef Andrew Copley's COOKING CLASS

Tuesday, June 23, 2020
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Featured Dish:
Rosemary Pork Roast | Red Beet Scented Couscous
Sweet Carrots | Merlot Garlic Reduction

Lifestyle is excited to present our first ever virtual cooking class!

Cook along in your kitchen with Chef Andrew Copley from the comfort of your home, using Zoom on your computer, tablet, or smartphone.

[Click Here for Details and to Sign Up](#)

Virtual Comedy Show

DON FRIESEN ASK THE MOM

Wednesday, June 17, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Following the success of our first comedy watch party featuring The Smoldering Embers, Lifestyle's Stay Connected and Sir Laffs-A-Lot's Comedy Night is proud to present our second virtual comedy show. This time, we feature Don Friesen. Friesen is a relatively "clean" performer who uses self-deprecating humor to lampoon his life as a suburban husband and father. He is a favorite of our comedy night fans.

[Click Here for Details](#)

Candle Making Project

LIFESTYLE'S STAY CONNECTED CANDLE MAKING PROJECT

Lifestyle's Stay Connected launched its first candle making project in May. The response was very positive, so we are extending the deadline to June 30. You will receive step-by-step instructions and an instructional video along with the kit. This fun stay-at-home project allows you to create your own personalized candles. Together with friends and family, via social media such as Zoom, you can all join in the fun from the comfort of your own home at your leisure.

The kit includes the following:

- 2 Quilted 4 oz Jars
- 2 Jar Tops
- 2 Jar Lid Rings
- 1 Lavender Fragrance
- 1 Vanilla Fragrance
- 1 Wick Holder
- 2 Bags of Soy Wax
- 2 Wicks
- 2 Wick Tabs
- 2 Warming Stickers
- 1 Step-by-Step Instruction Sheet
- A Link to View a Video Version of the Instructions

The cost for the kit is \$12. Please use the discount code **ASSOCIAPRE20** at check out to have your kit shipped to the Montecito Clubhouse for free. Lifestyle staff will contact you when your kit is available for pickup.

WWW.SCSHTA.COM/CANDLES

[Click Here to Order Your Kit](#)

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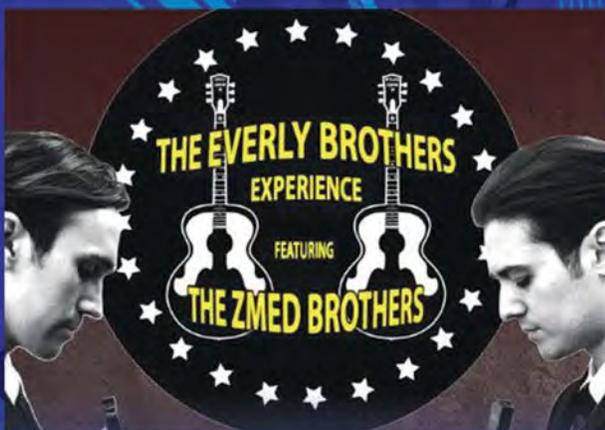
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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2020
GARTH BROOKS TRIBUTE**



**SATURDAY, JANUARY 9, 2021
PHAT CAT SWINGER**



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2021
EVERLY BROTHERS EXPERIENCE**



**SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 2021
ABBAFAB (ABBA TRIBUTE)**

TICKETS GO ON SALE MARCH 6TH AT 9AM

STOP BY THE LIFESTYLE DESK TO PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS
NON RESIDENTS MUST CALL TO RESERVE 760-345-4349 EXT 2120.

TICKETS HELD AT WILL CALL

\$25 EACH | 7PM | MONTECITO GRAND BALLROOM



SCSH Lively Liners Club

“STAR SPANGLED”

Come Line Dance with us!!
Line Dance and

Men Guests \$10.00

CANCELLED

Saturday, July 25, 2020
Montecito Ballroom
6:00 – 8:45 p.m.

Theme attire is optional...and fun!!
Bring your favorite snack and beverage.

Questions: Lynn (442) 300-2572 or Katy (760) 610-5710

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Sun City Shadow Hills®

**Sun City Shadow Hills Community Singers
Rehearsal & Performance Schedule 2020/2021**

- ❖ Monday, September 21 at 5:00 pm Kick-off
- ❖ Sectional Rehearsals Start October 7
- ❖ Saturday November 28 Golf Card Parade
- ❖ Thursday, December 10 Menorah Lighting
- ❖ Wednesday, December 16 Brookdale Service
- ❖ Friday & Saturday, Dec. 18 & 19 Tech Rehearsals
- ❖ Sunday, Dec. 20, Holiday Concert 2:00 PM
Call time 12:30 pm
- ❖ Monday, December 21 at 5:30 pm – Holiday Social
- ❖ Monday January 11 at 3:30 pm Kick-off 2nd half
- ❖ Sectional Rehearsals & Blend Start January 20
- ❖ Wednesday, March 10 Brookdale Service
- ❖ Saturday, March 13 Tech Rehearsal
- ❖ Sunday, March 14 at 2:00 pm Spring Concert
Call time 12:30 pm
- ❖ Monday, March 15 at 5:00 pm – Spring Social

Please check www.scshta.com/coronavirus for updated information.



FITNESS UPDATE

DESIREE PORRAS | FITNESS DIRECTOR

This month, I am excited to announce that we are reopening the fitness centers. We are looking forward to welcoming you back in the safest environment possible. Exercise is essential for our health and well-being, but there's no doubt that fitness industry operations have been drastically affected by the pandemic.

Now there is no time to waste. In fact, we have an opportunity to improve our operations in every way possible and ensure that we remain flexible and focused on the task at hand. Our health comes first, and we've been working hard on reimagining the fitness center experience so that you will feel safe at all times while exercising there.

With that said, I'm delighted to announce the launch of a new online reservation system to meet many of your booking needs. A reservation will now be required to use the fitness centers to ensure a clean, sanitized, and well-spaced environment.

Please take advantage of our new online system by creating an account so that you can start booking online. Phone-in reservations will still be possible but, to avoid long wait times, I highly recommend using our new online system. To create an account, visit our fitness page at www.scshta.com/fitness. More details will be released in the weekly eblast, or you can access our fitness page and watch a short video about how to set up an account and use the system.

Here are some of the new procedures to help you prepare for your upcoming visit:

- All residents must make a reservation to use the gym. Spas will remain closed.
- Classes will remain cancelled until further notice.
- Staff will have designated times for cleaning and disinfecting all equipment, restrooms, common areas, and frequently touched surfaces at least three times per day.
- Physical distancing is required at all times.
- Facemasks are required at all times.
- Certain cardio machines will not be available in order to maintain physical distancing.
- Guests are not allowed.
- Use of showers is not allowed.
- Use of lounge chairs or furniture is not allowed.
- Use of locker rooms is not allowed.

Please continue to look for more updates by visiting our website and staying connected through the weekly eblast and podcasts because all guidelines are subject to change. We look forward to seeing you all very soon.

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FOOD & BEVERAGE

MARIO CHAFFINO | FOOD & BEVERAGE / CATERING MANAGER
JEFF JACOBSON | EXECUTIVE CHEF

Even though the year 2020 has been one for the record books, it is wonderful to see the community come together during these difficult times.

We would like to extend our gratitude to the residents of SCSH who have taken important steps to help keep everyone safe during the current pandemic. Residents come to Shadows to pick up their orders wearing masks, practice social distancing, use contactless payments, and even bring their own pens! The efforts by our residents along with the sanitization measures by the Shadows team keep all of us just a bit safer and give us all the confidence to utilize Shadows.

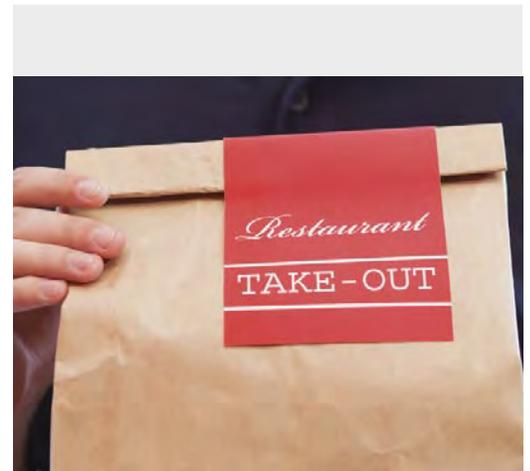
We have received several emails and questions about when we will be opening again for dine-in service. Even though the public safety restrictions have eased just a little bit, we want to make sure that we enter the next phase of operation with full assurance and the resources to ensure our residents' and staff's safety. Our goal is to open soon so we can deliver the Shadows experience to all of our residents with safety as our number one priority. We will let the community know when we will reopen and provide a diners' safety guide.

This month, our nation celebrates the Fourth of July holiday. We would like to wish a happy Independence Day to everyone, and we hope you are able to enjoy some time with your families and friends.

Please visit the link below to view all the latest news, menus, Chef Jeff's weekly dinner specials, and our take out menu. We will update this information as needed.

theshadowsrestaurant.com/news

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Hours of Operation

SHADOWS RESTAURANT

Monday – Sunday: 10 am – 7 pm

Breakfast: 10 am – 7 pm

Lunch/Small Plates: 10 am – 7 pm

GOLF SNACK BAR

6 am – 3 pm

SANTA ROSA BISTRO

6 am – 1 pm

MONTECITO CAFÉ

Closed

SHADOWS

DELIVERY & TAKE OUT MENU

BREAKFAST & ALL DAY MENU: 10A-7PM
 DELIVERY: \$25 MINIMUM WHICH WILL INCLUDE 15% GRATUITY
 ALL ORDERS MUST BE PLACED BY 4:00 PM
 FOR ORDER, PLEASE CALL SHADOWS - 760-772-4342

BREAKFAST

TWO EGG BREAKFAST - 8.50

Bacon or Ham, Country Potatoes or Fruit and Toast

BREAKFAST BURRITO - 11.50

eggs ham bacon onions peppers country potatoes and cheddar cheese wrapped in a flour tortilla

SMOKED SALMON PLATTER - 14.95

Served with a toasted bagel cream cheese, tomato, onion, and capers

SOUP & SALAD

AVOCADO SHRIMP LOUIS - 15.95

tender shrimp tossed in our louis dressing with avocado, tomatoes served on mixed greens

LAKE TAHOE SALAD - 13.95

herb chicken over mixed greens with dried cranberries, avocado, bleu cheese and tomatoes tossed in our balsamic vinaigrette

ASIAN CHICKEN SALAD - 13.95

lo Mein, snow peas, carrots, scallions,peanuts, red peppers, napa cabbage and ginger sesame dressing

CALIFORNIA NICOISE SALAD - 15.50

Fresh spinach tossed in our honey lime vinaigrette with marinated ahi tuna, avocado,mandarin oranges, haricot verts, red pepper & fried wonton strips

PAR 3 SALAD - 13.75

chicken salad, tuna salad, egg salad served atop mixed greens and tomatoes

TRADITIONAL WEDGE SALAD - 9.00

HOUSE SALAD OR CAESAR SALAD - SMALL - 6.50 / LARGE - 9.50

CUP CHILI - 5.50 / BOWL CHILI - 6.50

WRAPS

TURKEY CRUNCH WRAP - 13.75

roast turkey, swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato, pecans and cranberry mayo

SOUTHWESTERN CHICKEN WRAP - 13.75

grilled chicken in a flour tortilla with lettuce, pico de gallo, guacamole, pepper jack cheese and chipotle mayonnaise

VEGGIE WRAP - 13.75

sautéed julienne vegetables in a flour tortilla with lettuce, tomato, swiss cheese and garlic aioli

ALL WRAPS COME WITH A SIDE

Sandwiches

THE ULTIMATE REUBEN - 13.95

corned beef piled high on grilled rye with swiss cheese, sauerkraut and russian dressing

SHADOWS CLUB SANDWICH - 13.95

ham, turkey, bacon, swiss cheese, lettuce, tomato and mayonnaise on your choice of bread

FRENCH DIP - 13.95

tender roast beef on a french baguette with swiss cheese. served with warm au jus

SOUTHERN BBQ PORK SANDWICH - 11.95

Served On A Toasted Ciabatta Topped With Cole Slaw

TUNA MELT - 13.75

white albacore tuna grilled on choice of bread with cheddar cheese

CLASSIC B.L.T. - 11.95

choice of bread / add avocado - 2.00

SHADOWS BURGER - 13.95

½ pound Angus burger on a brioche bun with lettuce, tomato, onion, pickle and choice of cheese add bacon - 2.00 avocado - 2.00

All Sandwiches Come with A Choice Of Side

SWEET POTATO FRIES - 5.00

PARMESAN TRUFFLE FRIES - 4.50

CAJUN FRIES - 4.50

FRENCH FRIES - 4.50

ONION RINGS - 5.00

FRESH FRUIT - 5.00

COLE SLAW - 4.00

KETTLE CHIPS - 2.00

SMALL PLATES

AHI TUNA KAMACHI - 15.95

asian marinated tuna with cucumber, avocado and fried won tons

CAJUN POPCORN SHRIMP - 9.95

served with cajun remoulade and cocktail sauce

CHEESE QUESADILLA - 7.50

sautéed onions, peppers, cheese blend, guacamole, sour cream and pico de gallo add chicken + 6.00

CHICKEN WINGS - 9.25

6 jumbo wings served with celery sticks. choice of buffalo, bbq, sweet chili or honey mustard

ASK ABOUT OUR SPECIAL OF THE DAY

DESSERTS & BEVERAGES

APPLE CRUMB CAKE - 8.00

CHOCOLATE DECADENCE CAKE - 8.00

CHEF'S CHEESECAKE - 8.00

Ask about today's flavor

KEY LIME PIE - 8.00

SOFT DRINKS / SODAS - 3.00

ICED TEA - 3.00

SMALL JUICE - 2.75

LARGE JUICE - 4.75

COFFEE - 2.50

HOT TEA - 2.50

HOT CHOCOLATE - 2.50

MILK - 2.50

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GOLF OPERATIONS

ROLLAND VAUGHN | GENERAL MANAGER, SHADOW HILLS GOLF CLUB

July 2020 marks the four-year anniversary for Troon as Management Partner with Sun City Shadow Hills Community Association. Although there has been a major interruption in our operations because of the COVID-19 pandemic, we could not be more thrilled with the progress to date. These accomplishments came to fruition through the support of the community, advisory committees, and Board of Directors. Here are a few of the large-scale improvements over the past four years:

- Restoration of bunkers on the North and South Courses.
- Renovation of the Practice Tee, Practice Green, and 18-hole Putting Course.
- Creation of four new Silver Tee Boxes.
- Greater Food & Beverage utilization.

Our focus continues to be on providing a year-round quality presentation of the golf course and landscape areas. One area that we are extremely excited about is the improved transition on the South Course. This year we were about 30-45 days ahead of schedule with transition by utilizing the course closure to spray out the course early. Spraying out early is always beneficial because it removes ryegrass competition sooner and allows for quicker Bermuda development on the front end, and a longer total growing window for the season. This longer growing window allows us to establish a stronger base of Bermuda going into next

fall, which helps Bermuda sustainability in general. The early spray out was a blessing in disguise and essentially sped up the transition process by 30-45 days, which overall is a huge net benefit.

Thank you again for all your support, and feel free to contact us at any time with questions or feedback.

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Hours of Operation

NORTH COURSE

6 am – 1 pm

SOUTH COURSE

6 am – 1 pm

PRACTICE FACILITY*

6 am – 1 pm

* Driving Range will be available for golfers only. Range, putting green, and short game areas are closed for paid use or for individual use.



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IF YOUR CLUB'S OFFICERS HAVE CHANGED, PLEASE SEE THE LIFESTYLE DESK AND FILL OUT THE NEW OFFICERS FORM. 760-345-4349 EXT. 2120

When *The View* went to press this month, all activities within the community were suspended indefinitely because of the coronavirus outbreak. Please check the community website at www.scschca.com/coronavirus for updates and current information.



Billiards Club



Have you wanted to pick up that pool cue for years but have just never gotten around to it, or never had the opportunity? Your moment has arrived! Our beautiful billiard room at the Montecito Clubhouse is home to six beautiful nine-foot tables. Our club allows you to play with men and women of all levels of experience.

Our club meets every Monday and Wednesday evening at 7pm in the billiards room, but many members arrive early for practice. If you would like to take billiard lessons, our club member Bryan Murray (760-674-7009) provides instruction on Monday mornings at 10 am for no cost. We also have friendly and competitive tournaments once each month at a cost of \$5 per player. We did not play our monthly tournament in May due to the closure of the billiards room. The next tournament to be played will be a singles eight ball contest with the winners' name to be displayed on the plaque in the Montecito Clubhouse.

Join us at the Montecito Clubhouse on Monday and Wednesday evenings. Our club leader, John Hemphill (760-636-1924) will get you set up. We look forward to meeting you and having you as a member of our club!



Bocce Buddies

Come and meet a nice group of residents who enjoy the game. It does not matter if you have never played before, we can teach you how to play.

We play bocce at the Montecito Clubhouse. Log on to scschca.com and see the "Clubs" calendar for the exact times. All are welcome to play and join our club. There are no membership dues. We have five bocce courts at the Montecito Clubhouse and two courts at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse.

The club plays year-round in foursomes and groups of six. If you want to play bocce at any time other than when the club meets, bocce balls are available for your use at the Fitness desk.

For more information, please call Rick Halla at 760-347-9676.



Bowlers Club

First off, we miss you all bunches. Hope you are all healthy and safe.

Hopefully, by the time you read this our summer practice bowling will be full swing. We've been getting updated regularly by the Fantasy Bowl Staff. I'm sure there will be many adjustments we'll have to make, but just getting on the lanes will be worth it.

Just remember bowling again after a long break means easy does it. We'll be using muscles we haven't used for a very long time. If you haven't practiced with a pillow or something that won't destroy your house this might be a good time to start. Stretching is the key to a smooth transition.

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Flash emails will go out as soon as we know what's happening. Until then please stay healthy and safe. For information contact Rose Borses at 760-636-4788.



Bridge Club

Hello fellow bridge players! We will meet again, but as of now, we do not know when. When we get the okay, we will let you know! Our games will most likely resume on the same schedule as before. We look forward to seeing you all again until then stay safe and be well.

There is an app called BridgeBase. It's a virtual game that you play with another couple of your choice or others. Many here are playing.



Camera Club

All meetings have been put on hold until further notice. As more information comes along, an email blast will be sent to all members.

Until then...we highly encourage all members continue with your photography and submit the photos, to our website. We would really like to see your photos for this summer and the ingenuity and inventiveness needed to help keep yourselves busy with your photography. Be willing to try different types of composition, i.e. macro, food, still life.

Please stay safe and healthy.

Our website is updated regularly from members who have submitted photos, and with other photography information. Check out the "Toolbox." We will try and answer any submitted questions about photography questions posed over the summer. Check us out at: www.scszcameracub.com. You can also email us at:

scszcameracub@gmail.com



"Awakened for Spring,"
by Betty Todd



Canasta Club

Due to the State's stay at home order, the Canasta Club is dark until further notice. Once we are allowed to reopen, please join us in the Mirada room of the Montecito Clubhouse at 1 pm on Fridays and spend an enjoyable afternoon playing Canasta. Whether you have played Canasta for years or are just learning, all are welcome.

For more information, please email Beverly at beverlymirsky@yahoo.com.



Ceramics Club

Ceramics club continues to be busy, at home, turning out some lovely artistry. Creativity has not been put on hold during this time of hiatus.



As you can see from the plates above, variety is the "spice of life"! Each plate because it is hand painted is unique. Each of our members have their own style and the outcomes are stunning. These plates might be used as serving pieces or just hung on a wall as decorative.



The three pieces above demonstrate different techniques of firing/nonfiring and variety of paints. On the left, the elephant is a fired piece, painted, using Courtyard Art Glazes. The middle vase and the cat on the right were done with acrylic paints. These pieces

are not fired, simply painted and then sprayed with an acrylic sealer.

Once we return to our club room, we hope that you will stop by and check us out. We always welcome those who wish to be creative, experienced or not. You can also contact us at scshceramics@hotmail.com



Community Singers

Community Singers love to Sing!

Our Virtual Choir sang "God Bless America" for Memorial Day. Hopefully, you neighbors and friends were able to hear and see us!



In June, we prepared another Virtual Choir presentation of "The National Anthem" for July 4th. Remember: you can find us on YouTube and on Facebook, and hopefully on the SCSH Podcast.

Although our group's singing future is unsure considering the COVID-19 virus, we hope to sing for you sometime soon. Our current plan is to kick-off our season, September 21. Please keep checking *The View* for updates.



Couples Golf

Couples Golf remains on summer hiatus and will resume in November. Check out our website for any updates, information on membership and to view the proposed schedule for 2020/2021 at www.shcouples.com. For any questions contact Rob Quilley, President at scshcouples@gmail.com.



Creative Arts

The Creative Arts Club has been on hiatus, along with all the other clubs and groups in SCSH during this difficult time. We hope when we can once again gather for our shared interests, you'll consider joining the Creative Arts Club. Typically, we meet twice a week, Mondays and Thursdays, 9 am to 11:30 am in the Montecito Clubhouse. Our annual dues are \$15, collected in January. In the meantime, stay safe and be well.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the club please contact our vice-president, Wendy McElroy, at 714-222-6495.



Dance Club (Shall We All Dance)

The Shall We All Dance club is on hiatus until the fall, or until social mingling is again permitted. In the meantime, turn on a YouTube video for the dance of your choice, dance at home, and have a ball!



Desert Gardeners

Our club provides opportunities for expanding your gardening knowledge and skills. We meet monthly from November to April. Activities include guided tours of local nurseries and gardens, lectures on gardening techniques and plant selection, and an annual tour spotlighting residents' gardens. Check our website www.scshdesertgardeners.com to find the latest news on our club activities and a wealth of gardening resources.

Yearly dues are \$15 for one person or \$20 for two from the same household. Membership forms and dues will be accepted beginning October 31. For more information or to be added to our mailing list, contact Amy Tomlinson, President, at 303-888-5429 or scshdesertgardeners@gmail.com.



Desert Life

Desert Life is a luncheon group that meets monthly on the third Tuesday of each month from 11:30 am – 2 pm. We do not meet in July and August.

We enjoy fine food provided by Heritage Palms. In addition, we have a different interesting speaker each month, a different charity each month (which is optional), and we have a drawing for several door prizes.

Because of the coronavirus, we will not be meeting until Tuesday, September 23, 2020. We look forward to hopefully meeting in September.



Games Plus

Games Plus was formed to play various games.

BINGO | First Friday of the month at Montecito Clubhouse. Doors open at 5:30 pm with games starting at 6:30 pm. Paper sells for \$5 for 10 games. There are two special games that cost \$3 to play. Right after intermission, there is a free door prize raffle. You must be 18 years of age to play. *Cash only and small bills are appreciated.*

SCRABBLE/OTHER GAMES | Mondays of each week at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse from 1 – 3:30 pm.

MEXICAN TRAIN | First and fourth Wednesday of the month from 2 – 5 pm at the Santa Rosa clubhouse. Contact Cathy Nielsen if you plan to play. Her email is mcathynielsen@gmail.com or phone at 760-522-3092.

HAND & FOOT | Thursdays at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. Please arrive at 12:15 pm to play at 12:30 pm. Kathy Reid is the contact person. Her number is 760-469-2335.

FAST TRACK (NEW) | Every Saturday at 12:30 pm at the Montecito Clubhouse. If you plan to play contact Karen Dallmann at kdallmann50@gmail.com.

If you have any questions regarding the above games, contact Pat at 760-343-0783 or 310-433-0714.



Genealogy Club

GENEALOGY AND LGBTQ

There has been a revolution underway for at least the past decade. Many folks have a sexual preference for people of the same gender. In many countries, this was deemed undesirable, even criminal. Some countries still treat it that way. Organized religion struggled with the concept.

Then, we had marriages of same-sex folks and the arrival of their families. We also witnessed the advent of surrogate mothers and sperm banks. Now, we have folks who are classified as Transgender and Q? What is next?

These events generate a host of questions for genealogists:

- How does my software handle Transgender?
- How do I know someone is Transgender?
- How do I designate a surrogate mother?
- Do I designate a surrogate?
- How to enter a same sex couple in my tree?
- Can you track a sperm bank donor?
- Surrogates and sperm bank donors will show up in DNA results. How confusing?

Sorry if I have “stirred the pot” a bit with these questions, but the present is upon us. Genealogists need to understand these issues.

Join our Sun City Shadow Hills Genealogy Club, learn about these issues and some solutions. Check out our website at scshgenealogy.com for meeting dates, contacts, etc.



Gin Rummy

The Gin Rummy Club meets every Monday at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse in the Newport Room. Game starts at 1 pm, and we play until finished. Depending on how many players there are, the game can end anywhere from 4:30 to 5:30 pm.

If you play Gin Rummy or would like to learn, please contact Marie DeVito at 760-636-5593. We are a fun group and all are welcome.



Hiking Club



Sun City Shadow Hills' Over the Hill Hiking Club offers easy, moderate, and strenuous hikes from October through March.

To see the hike schedule and more club information go to www.scschca.com/hiking. Please regularly check the schedule on the website as changes do occur from time to time. New members please contact Nancy Stenson at stensonnancy@gmail.com.



Kings & Queens

Obviously, these have been trying times for us all! We will take direction from the Lifestyle Desk in regard to when we will be able to resume play and keep you posted! Meantime, take care and let's do what we have to do to beat this enemy.

The name of the game is *POKER!* Kings and Queens Card Club is open for play throughout the year giving you the chance to join in.

WHO | Shadow Hills residents looking for a good night out with friends and neighbors.

WHEN | Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays; 5 pm starting time

WHERE | Santa Rosa Clubhouse

WHAT | Dealers Choice (Omaha, Stud, Hi Low etc.)

We're always looking for new players from our Shadow Hills community. Immediate seating available. So, let's all shuffle up and deal!

For more information call Mike at 760-698-2790.



Lady Putters

Happy Fourth of July to all our Lady Putters members and God bless America! We hope you all have a memorable summer!

Again, as I write this article, we have not been given the ok to resume putting. I want to advise you to be watching for an email blast from our club presidents as to when and how putting will proceed. You can also refer to our web site.

I can tell you that when we do resume, we will be on our summer schedule. We will meet Monday mornings in the Capistrano Room of the Montecito Clubhouse. Check in will start at 6:45 am and play at 7 am. We invite all women of our community to join us. No membership or experience required, and we will not be using handicaps. All you need is a putter, a ball, \$2, and a desire to meet new friends and have fun.

We invite you to check out our pictures of all the fun and latest information on our website at www.shputters.com or contact Barbara Prezlock at bprezlock@aol.com and 732-580-3681, or Maureen Whittaker maureenwhittaker@verizon.net and 760-342-1260.



Lively Liners

"Let the Games Begin"

Line Dance

Sporting Theme Attire optional
Saturday, July 25, 6 – 8:45 pm

Montecito Ballroom

Members \$5

Guests \$10

Everyone is welcome!

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Line dance classes are offered at the Montecito Fitness Center, Aerobics Studio. Try the first two classes for free! Please arrive at 12:45 pm on Mondays *only* to register.

Line dance is a great way to make new friends and have more fun than you can imagine! Many levels of classes are offered weekly for a low \$15 monthly fee. Themed monthly dances show off your skills! We dance to country favorites as well as modern pop music. Give it a try! You will love line dance!

BEGINNER 1 CLASS | Mondays, 1 – 2 pm

BEGINNER 2 CLASS | Mondays, 2 – 3 pm

BEGINNER REVIEW | Tuesdays, 1 – 2 pm

TRANSITION CLASS | Wednesdays, 1 – 1:30 pm

INTERMEDIATE CLASS | Wednesdays, 1:30 – 3 pm

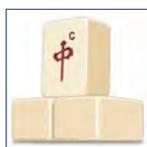
INTERMEDIATE REVIEW | Thursdays, 5 – 6 pm

ADVANCED CLASS | Mondays, 4 – 5 pm

ADVANCED REFRESHER | Fridays, 12:30 – 1 pm

ADVANCED CLASS | Fridays, 1 – 2 pm

Please check the calendar on our website for any changes to the schedule at www.scschlivelyliners.com. For info, call Lynn at 442-300-2572, or Katy at 760-610-5710.



Mah Jongg

We've reached the middle of 2020 and the entire world has experienced a stillness as never before. The wonderful sound of the clicking of Mah Jongg tiles usually heard around the world, had gone silent. The worldwide players of Mah Jongg, the most popular game in the world, have been confined to their homes due to COVID-19.

As of this writing, some of the restrictions have been lifted and small groups can get together on private property, to play Mah. Online games and solitaire online have tried to fill the gap, but for the addicted Mah Jongg player there is nothing like the fun of the game, sitting with friends at the table.

The country is opening to try to attain some sort of normalcy. Hopefully, the tiles will soon be clicking again.

If the Montecito is open, come join us for an afternoon of fun and challenging play. The SCSH Mah Jongg club meet every Wednesday; regular play for members is from 12:15 – 3:30 pm. Free lessons will not be offered during the months of June, July, and August. Membership dues for the calendar year are \$10. Remember – if it's scorching hot outside – it's always cool in the Mah Jongg room.



Men's Golf Club

The Men's Golf Club is still playing golf every Thursday. While there is currently no sweeps or split tees, we are hoping this will change in the near future.

The new Board members met, via Zoom, to decide on officer positions for the upcoming year that starts July 1. The results are as follows: President, Scott Bartholomaus; Vice President, Dave Bakshy; Secretary, Phil Erbez; Treasurer, Jim Armstrong; Member-At-Large, John Long; and Past President, Rick Stohr. Wish them luck!

The next scheduled general meeting is October 14. Here's hoping we can meet in person and catchup. Sure miss those donuts!

Interested in joining? Please contact Randy Thomas at randythomas2012@gmail.com or 949-279-2115.

Have a healthy and safe Summer!



Needles and Pins

Summer started early here in the desert...100 degree plus temps in May and June...reminded us that it does get very *hot* here. But the heat gives us more reason to stay inside and work on our various projects. Many members are planning ahead, working on items for the Holiday Boutique in November (hopefully, still on the schedule) and Christmas gifts. It's never too early to plan for Christmas!

Table runners have taken over Carol Beers life. Seven done and more coming!





Antoinette Hettinga's creative life is focused on English paper piecing bowls. Having learned the technique from Barbara Snyder, Antoinette upped her game, creating new styles and designs.



Jackie Mixon's knitted hats in new styles is slowly depleting her yarn stash. No...say it isn't true!

Needles and Pins members used technology to continue our monthly "Show and Share" sessions starting last May. We'll continue this practice through the end of the year so our snowbirds can stay in touch and share their treasures. For more information, contact Cheryl Taylor at eirikannie@gmail.com.

As members continue to express their creativity in their homes, we look forward to gathering again at the Montecito. Stay well, be safe!



Oke Dokey Karaoke

Come and have a ball. Show the world the entertainer that you are or want to be. It's great fun for all. Whether you think you have a great voice, or you can't carry a tune, it's the opportunity to have fun singing outside the shower, without worrying that you are going to embarrass yourself. You can sing by yourself or with a partner or group, sing all types of songs or just listen and enjoy. We provide a songbook by song title, by singer or pick your own favorite. Everyone should have a chance in his or her life to enjoy one of their secret wishes. Because, if not now – when?

Come the first Thursday of every month from 6 – 8:30 pm (October–May) to the Montecito Ballroom for fun and a chance to meet neighbors and make new friends. Annual dues are \$10.

So, bring along your favorite libation and enjoy the fun and companionship. Contact Alan Voss 209-768-9393 for more information.



Pairs 9-Hole Golf

Pairs 9-Hole Golf Club is dark during the summer. We start once again November 5, 2020 with play beginning at 1:30 pm on the par-3 North Course, signing in no later than 1 pm. Playing on the first and third Thursday of each month, we use a shotgun start format and play nine holes of golf.

We have 12 play dates scheduled: November 5 and 19, December 3 and 17, January 7 and 21, February 4 and 18, March 4 and 18, and April 1 and 15. Our welcome back "Potluck Dinner" is December 3, 2020. Our club's mission is to share the love of golf in a social and friendly way, for those who wish to have a relaxed and fun game. After each round of golf, we gather on the patio at the Shadows restaurant for a fun social hour. Whether you are single or a couple wanting to play; we do not require handicaps. Membership dues are \$10 per person. To register for each play date, you must complete the emailed invite by noon on Wednesday before play.

For information email us at scshpairsgolf@gmail.com or call Mike Johnson at 775-721-7966 or Brandon Mason at 310-508-3977.



Pan Club

As I write this article for the July View, it is the beginning of June and we are still under a coronavirus social distancing order by the HOA. We all miss seeing each other and enjoying our Pan games. Hopefully, our lives and activities will soon resume some normalcy. Pan Club members will receive an email when our play resumes.

The Pan Club play schedule is as follows:

EVERY MONDAY | 11:30 & 6 pm, Montecito

EVERY TUESDAY | 11:15, Santa Rosa

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EVERY THURSDAY | 11:30, Montecito
1ST & 3RD FRIDAY | 11:30 pm, Montecito

Stop in, see if there is an open seat and/or get on the sub list.

Pan Club membership is \$15 per year. Please remember if you are not in a regular game, but plan on subbing in games, you must be a Pan Club paid member to play in a game in the Pan room. For any questions, please contact Michele Kirsch, kirschmi62@gmail.com or 661-510-5790.

Please stay safe and healthy!



Paper Crafters

People say this too shall pass, but who would have thought that five months later we are still waiting to get together. "Safety first" must be our motto, since we live in a high-risk environment. We miss our Tuesday gatherings to create paper crafting projects and hope to be back soon.

Once the social ban has been lifted the Paper Crafters club welcomes back our members and anyone who would like to express their creative side by joining us for a class. We work on cards for all occasions from birthdays to get well or just a card that says hello.



When we start classes again, you are invited to attend a class, make a project, and then decide if you would like to join our group. Membership is \$10 per year. Weekly projects usually range between \$1 and \$3. We meet every Tuesday in the Mirada Room at the Montecito Clubhouse at 12:30 pm to set up and catch up with each other. Card class begins at 1 pm. After class you are encouraged to stay and use the supplies and equipment provided to make additional cards or projects.

Questions? Call our President Diane O'Rourke at 805-216-1818 or ladidi4809@sbcglobal.net.



Performing Arts Club

The Performing Arts Club is dark for the summer months. Our next General Membership Meeting is tentatively scheduled for October. As well, we have scheduled dates for return or exchange of tickets for *Hilda's Yard* in October. Of course, all plans are subject to change with these uncertain times. The actors in *Hilda's Yard* continue to review their lines and some are even rehearsing virtually for the re-scheduled November production. These are uncharted paths for all of us!

Check out Lifestyle's "Stay Connected" to catch showings of previous plays and other great entertainment. Be well. Be safe. Stay home...

For further information contact: Judith Bennoch at judithbennoch@icloud.com or 905-394-1660.



Pet Club

Hello Pet Club Members!

Unfortunately, we were unable to have meetings the last few months, but we did have some great meetings and interesting speakers before the coronavirus quarantine hit. Hope you are all well and that your pets have brought you joy and smiles during this crazy time. Have a great summer!

Remember...pets aren't our whole lives, but they make our lives whole.



Pickleball Club

Now we are right in the middle of the summer – time has gone by quickly don't you think? For those of you who live year around in the desert, Pickleball is an early, first light of sunrise sport. Hurrah to those of you who show up with coffee in hand and play before the sun beats its enduring rays penetrating every cell on your body – sunscreen, sunscreen, sunscreen.

For the rest of you up north, we can only hope for some sunshine, little rain, and dry courts.

For this of you who enjoy competing, let's hope the tournaments will open soon – it's always fun testing your skills on the court.

Check out Pickleball Central for all your PB needs. Is it time for new shoes? Just have to have the newest paddle out there? How about clothes with the PB logo to advertise what you love to do? Sales everywhere.

Practice, practice, practice, drill, drill, drill, dink 'til you drop.



Rainbow Friends

Half the year is behind us, summer is in full swing so, of course, "temps" are climbing here in the desert. Wherever you are, have a Happy Fourth of July, and to our friends from Canada, Happy Canada Day!

Please check you emails for any club updates, as it is unlikely that we will be meeting in person this month.

We are a social club for the LGBT community, their family, and friends. For further information, please contact Sue at 949-584-2344 or Ron at 925-785-3258. Stay well, stay safe.



Readers Ink

Due to the COVID-19 shelter in place orders, Readers Ink had no meeting in June. June's book discussion of *The Alice Network* by Kate Quinn will now be led by Judy Sorensen in October.

Barring any further quarantine orders, our scheduled selection for July is *The Address* by Fiona Davis. Gina Pollack will lead the discussion.

If you love to read and want to join our group, please attend as a guest. We meet on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except December) at 2 pm in the Capistrano room of the Montecito Clubhouse.

Any questions, please email Beverly Mirsky at beverlymirsky@yahoo.com.



Solos Club

We are the social club for single residents of SCSH.

Given the current circumstances in which physical gathering is not only not allowed, but also most appropriate to safeguard everyone's health, we will not have our regular third Sunday meetings, Mystery Happy Hours, etc. until further notice.

However, just because we are home, does not mean we are alone. Most of us feel like a family and want to continue the connection. Join us for our Zoom Virtual Happy Hour every Friday at 4:30 pm using Zoom, a video conferencing tool that works on most laptops, PCs, tablets, and smart phones. Current Solos members will receive an email sharing the simple log-on process to get connected. If you have questions or did not receive the log-on instruction email, feel free to contact Donna Parrish at 760-674-7227 for assistance.

Let's get together face-to-face, yet social-distancing apart! Virtual hugs to everyone!



For membership information, contact Shirley Bunce at 760-345-8121 or bunce.shirley123@yahoo.com.



Spanish Club

The Bienvenidos Spanish Club would like to invite anyone interested in exploring the Spanish language as well as the regional customs, literature, art, music, clothing, and FOOD of countries where Spanish is the primary language. The club presents an opportunity to practice your Spanish with folks of all abilities, from beginner to native speaker. Everyone is welcome!

The club meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month at 11 am at Santa Rosa Clubhouse in the Monterey Room.

The club activities will be suspended during the summer months. We will reconvene in October providing that the COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. Stay safe and healthy! Looking forward to seeing our members when we return in the fall.

The club's annual membership fee is \$20. Please email any questions at: scshspanishclub@gmail.com.

¡Gracias, Amigos! Espero que puedan participar.
Thank you, friends! I hope you can participate.



Table Tennis

The table tennis club hopes everyone is safe and in good health. Keep the faith, and we will get through this.



Tennis Club

Happy Independence Day, everyone! Tennis Club programs continue to operate with caution to ensure the safety of all members. We thank our members for their willingness to adapt to the HOA safety rules of time limitations, social distancing, no congregating before or after matches, and no rotating between courts. Masks are only required for entering the Clubhouse restroom facilities. Fountains and ice machines are still shut down, so as temperatures rise, be sure to bring sufficient water to the courts with you.

To join the Tennis Club, please visit our website at www.scshtennis.com.



That's Entertainment

During the summer, we present Sir-Laffs-A-Lot's Comedy Night at the Montecito Clubhouse on the third Wednesday of every month. This event is open to all SCSH residents and their guests. We arrange for two LA comedians to drive out to Indio and do an amazing show for 90 minutes. The comedians are different every month, and the show can be "R" rated for adult content. So, plan accordingly. Please get your tickets early, as this event sells out quickly during winter season. Please see our ad in this magazine, on the community website (scshca.com), or lobby flyers for further details.

If you are interested in helping to organize these events as a member of the That's Entertainment Club, please call Julie at 760-772-0317.



Tutta Bella Vino

We are dark during the months of June, July, and August, but we are planning a spectacular reopening event to begin our new 2020-2021 season on September 19, 2020. We hope to have Tutta Bella Vino's exceptional sommelier, Scott Halterlein, excite our palates with "Wine Treasures" on September 19, 2020 at 7 pm in the Montecito Ballroom. This is subject to COVID-19 restrictions and their application to our events.



Watch www.scschca.com for club information on our webpage. We will be posting news on the 2020-2021 dues, the new season's event pricing, TBV's new event calendar and other important club news. Our new event season will run September 2020 through June 2021, subject to event restrictions at Sun City Shadow Hills.

For more info email: tuttabellavino@gmail.com.



Veterans Club



The Veterans Club is alive, but dormant. During the recent shelter in place orders, the club has not been able to hold its monthly meetings and flag sales.

We have had residents inquire as to how they can buy replacement flags and poles. To accommodate these requests, you may call Larry Smith at 714-401-3772 to make arrangements to pick up your new flags and poles from him. The Veterans Club offers new replacement flags and poles for Phase 1 and 2 homeowners, as well as new flags with poles and mounting hardware for Phase 3 homeowners. Keep flying your flags.

The Veterans Club members look forward to when the club can resume holding its monthly meetings and activities and provide more services to our community.

We wish all of our community to stay safe and healthy during this pandemic.



Women's Golf Club

Hot summer months are not a deterrent for those dedicated golfers who wish to continue playing. The Pro Shop is allowing us to keep the Wednesday and Friday tee times through June this year. Signups and payment of green fees will continue to be handled online through the SHWGC website. Kathy Budzik will coordinate the Friday Golf starting in June. Our tee times begin at 6 am. With the one person per cart rule, we're able to complete 18 holes in about 3½ hours. We're off the course before the heat becomes unbearable.

For new members interested in joining us to play 18 holes of golf each Wednesday during the season, November 1 through May 31, complete an online application and review information on the club website at shwgc.com. Any questions regarding renewals or new memberships email them to Lynn Heftler at CaLynn50@aol.com.



Writer's Club

Our group is now holding weekly meetings online via Zoom.us until the pandemic is over. The Writer's Club online meetings are every Thursday at 10 am. If you wish to join please email to antiqphoto@gmail.com. You do not need a Zoom account.

We are a group of individuals who enjoy writing. Each member has the opportunity to read one or two pages (double spaced) of their work to the group; receive ideas, direction and gentle criticism. Part of being in our club is the encouragement we all get from each other to write on a regular basis.

It's easier than you think to write your own story. Every year millions of great stories disappear forever. It does not matter if you are writing fiction, non-fiction, or memoirs, write a page a day for a year and you have a book!

When you join us, you will meet interesting people and hear their fascinating stories.

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Try your hand at writing that story you have always wanted to tell. Free membership! How can you go wrong? For more information, email Beth at bethbolduc7@gmail.com or Tony at antiqphoto@gmail.com.

The Association does not endorse or promote any political party, political movement, or religion.

RESIDENT GROUPS



Democrats

Welcome, Democrats, to the most consequential political year of our lifetime. Recent events have warranted this statement to our members:

Statement by the Democrat Group's Executive Board

All of us have reacted with horror and anger as we have witnessed the latest in a seemingly never-ending line of senseless and brutal murders of African Americans at the hands of white police officers. The protests taking place reflect the justified anger of millions of our citizens who still experience discrimination, humiliation, and even violence because of the color of their skin.

We certainly condemn the sporadic violence and looting engaged in by a separate minority, but let us bear in mind the words of Martin Luther King: "A riot is the language of the unheard."

We believe it is not enough to shake our heads in frustration yet again. We urge our

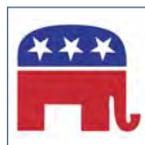
members to visit the site:

www.benjerry.com/whats-new/2019/02/racial-justice-organizations.

There you will find descriptions of a number of organizations fighting for racial justice and can make a donation or learn how to take political action.

Although we will be dark this summer, we may meet via Zoom to plan for the 2020 local and national elections.

We welcome new members. Please contact us through our website, democratsinscsh.org; our email address, democratsinscsh@gmail.com; or on Facebook at Dems in Sun City Shadow Hills.



Republicans

Candidates visiting our meetings this year have impressed on us how critical it is to vote in the November election. So, it is "all hands on deck" for SCSH Republicans to get out the vote. Not only should we make every effort to vote ourselves, it is important to encourage other like-minded folks to vote too. If you need to re-register or know someone who does, we have voter registration forms at all our meetings; or call us and we will provide a form for you. Registration forms are also available at our Republican Headquarters next to Hobby Lobby on Hwy 111.

When we resume our meetings (fall?), come join us! We have excellent speakers/candidates to explain the propositions, and ballot issues interesting to seniors. Every meeting has something of interest to our community. Being informed is key to making good decisions. Knowledge is power in elections as well as other facets of life.

We will meet on the second Tuesday of each month in the Capistrano Room at the Montecito Clubhouse. Social hour starts at 6:30 pm and our regular meeting begins at 7 pm. Refreshments are served. Stay tuned. We will let you know our plans to resume soon enough. Meanwhile, *stay safe!*

Questions? Contact Pete Anderson at petegolf@yahoo.com or 760-469-2086.



Click Below:



Tuesday, June 23, 2020

5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Featured Dish:

Rosemary Pork Roast | Red Beet Scented Couscous

Sweet C...

Have you checked out the Lifestyle Department's "Stay Connected" page?

Visit: www.scshta.com/stayconnected



Wishing you a safe & happy Independence Day!

- ★ Reverse Mortgages (also called HECM or "Home Equity Conversion Mortgages") is a very flexible retirement tool for homeowners over 62. This may be a good options for you if your investment income is hurting. Call or email me today to schedule a meeting to go over your options.
- ★ Franklin Loan Center is a local lender with over 30 years of service.



Happy 4th of JULY INDEPENDENCE DAY

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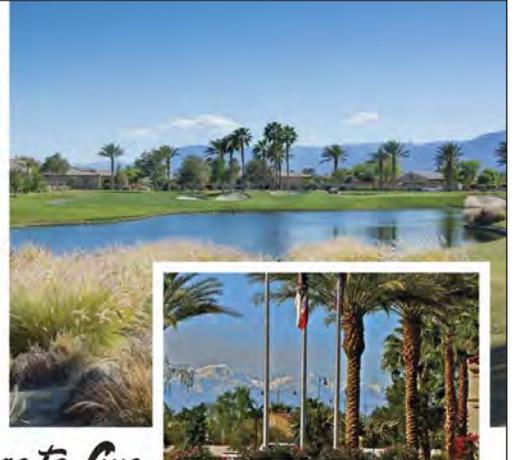
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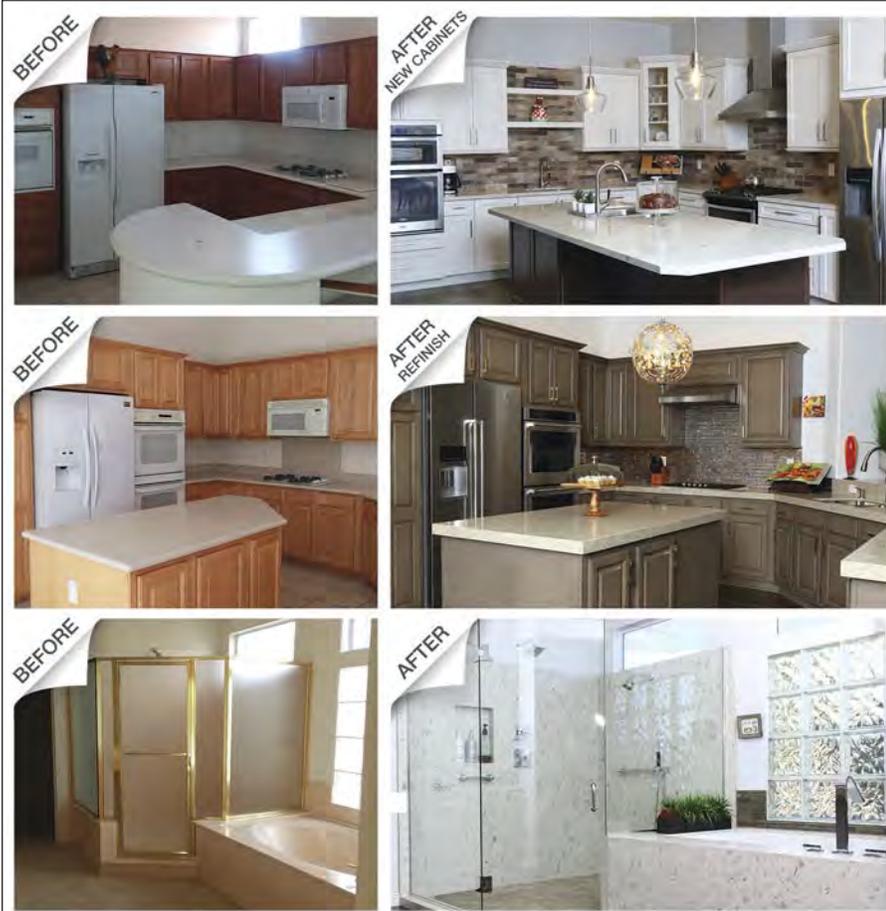


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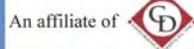
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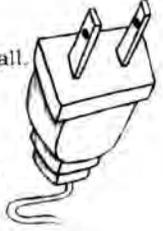
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