

THE VIEW



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First Saturday of the Month | 8 AM – 12 PM

LIFESTYLE DESK | Daily | 8 AM – 5 PM

MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE | Daily | 6 AM – 10 PM

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER | Daily | 5 AM – 8 PM

POOL HOURS | Daily | 5 AM – 10 PM

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Montecito Outdoor Pool | 9 AM – 12 PM

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SHADOWS TERRACE | Daily | 6 AM – 1 PM

SANTA ROSA BISTRO | Daily | 6 AM – 12 PM

MONTECITO CAFÉ | Wednesday – Friday | 10 AM – 2 PM

All hours are subject to change.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

JERRY CONRAD | PRESIDENT

It's been a busy month with unprecedented rainfall causing severe damage to our golf courses and common areas. A proposal to remove the resident Golf Loyalty Program caused considerable angst. Our Community Development Coordinating Committee presented arguments to the Indio City Council on the Pulte Desert Retreat Project. And finally, our budget is getting closer to being finalized for the 2024 year.

The last month of hard rain and flooding of our golf courses has awakened many of you to the issue of why SCSH is in litigation with CVWD. I cannot discuss the litigation details at this time. But the concerning issue is what would have happened if the water from CVWD had been connected during this event. Will the current plan adequately protect SCSH?

The Community Development Coordinating Committee made a terrific breakthrough with the Indio City Council concerning the Desert Retreat Project. The committee, along with our outside counsel, convinced the Council to add one important condition. Pulte is now required to adopt a wastewater plan that diverts sewage away from SCSH. In addition, the proposed roundabout at the Shadows Restaurant on Avenue 40 has been changed to a traffic signal. The CDCC was able to gather over 1,300 signatures from our community to apply pressure where it clearly had the desired effect. The latest estimate is that Pulte will be starting the project in 2024 with approximately 250 homes to be built in the first phase. The project is projected to be completed with 1,500 homes built around 2032. I want to thank the CDCC members Deborah Gmeiner, Chris Stevens, Fera Mostow, and Karl Delaney for all their efforts to ensure our community was fully represented.

Last month the Financial Advisory Committee, FAC, submitted a proposal to terminate the Loyalty Program our resident golfers have enjoyed over the last several years. The reasons are complicated but mostly concern

the awards and how they affect the subsidy of Troon. I asked that all parties concerned meet and, after a couple of hours, it was decided to table the proposal and set up a sub-committee to find a solution. This is exactly what our community should strive for when we deal with contentious issues. I want to congratulate both the FAC and the Golf Advisory Committee as well as all the residents who took the time to communicate their thoughts on this proposal.

Please be sure to attend or listen to the last budget session on Wednesday, October 18, at 10 am. This is the final meeting of the Board, committees, and vendors before the final budget is determined. The goal is to keep any increase in the dues as low as possible while at the same time continuing to keep our amenities first rate. A delicate balance indeed.

Finally, residents interested in running for the Board of Directors must send in a nomination form by noon on November 30, 2023, directly to **HOA Elections of CA, 1001 Avenida Pico, Suite C-496, San Clemente, CA 92673**. If you are interested, please understand the demands on both time and energy that this position requires. Board members will conservatively spend 10-15 hours a week on Board business. The only qualification you need is the desire to work hard for the betterment of the overall community.

Contact the author at jerry.conrad@scshca.com.

Next Board Meeting:

Date: Monday, October 30

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Montecito Ballroom

Please join us!

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Condensed Financial Information

Balance Sheets

	July 2023 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	July 2022 <u>(Unaudited)</u>	December 2022 <u>Audited</u>
Assets:			
Cash and cash equivalents	5,784,130	4,085,358	6,713,138
Certificate of deposits and investments	15,908,460	13,240,003	12,327,321
Property and equipment, net	975,027	1,357,745	1,255,369
Cash - chartered clubs	199,594	137,600	199,594
All other assets	677,442	1,917,410	516,303
Total assests	<u>\$23,544,652</u>	<u>\$20,738,116</u>	<u>\$21,011,725</u>
Liabilities:			
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	990,269	867,017	1,238,137
Prepaid Assessments and deferred revenue	770,689	766,443	822,655
Total liabilities	<u>\$1,760,958</u>	<u>\$1,633,460</u>	<u>\$2,060,792</u>
Fund balances:			
Operating	3,120,233	2,271,734	2,102,131
N Channel Flood Control Fund	1,148,763	1,193,799	1,160,422
Chartered Clubs	199,594	137,600	199,594
Property and equipment	975,027	1,357,745	1,255,369
Replacement	16,340,077	14,143,778	14,233,417
Total Fund Balances	<u>\$21,783,694</u>	<u>\$19,104,656</u>	<u>\$18,950,933</u>
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	<u>\$23,544,652</u>	<u>\$20,738,116</u>	<u>\$21,011,725</u>

Statement of Changes in Fund Balances	Operating Fund	North Channel Fund	Replacement Fund	Total
Fund balances, beginning of year	3,557,094	1,160,422	14,233,417	18,950,933
Excess of revenues over expenses	737,759	(11,659)	2,106,660	2,832,761
Adjusting Entry -Researching				
Interfund Transfers				
Fund balances, as of June 30, 2023	<u>\$4,294,853</u>	<u>\$1,148,763</u>	<u>\$16,340,077</u>	<u>\$21,783,694</u>

Detailed Financials can be found at www.scschca.com/documents/finances/ (login required)



Meet a Board Member

Thursday, October 12 · 3 pm · Montecito Clubhouse Capistrano Room
Come by and introduce yourself to Barbara Prezlock, Secretary of your HOA Board. She wants to hear what you like about our community and if you have any concerns.

Sun City Shadow Hills®
Statements of Revenues & Expenses Compared
to Budget for the 7 months ended July 31, 2023

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Over (Under) Budget</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>2023 Annual Budget</u>	<u>Total Monthly Assessment</u>
Operating Fund						
DRM/HOA Operations						
Revenues (Assessments)	5,551,895	5,551,895	0	0.0%	9,517,535	229.89
All other revenues	401,543	318,750	82,793	26.0%	521,000	
Total revenues	5,953,439	5,870,645	82,793	1.4%	10,038,535	
Total expenses	5,723,143	5,846,142	(122,998)	-2.1%	10,138,536	
Excess of revenues over expenses	230,296	24,504	205,792	839.8%	(100,001)	
North Channel Flood Control						
Revenues						
Revenues (Assessments)	24,150	24,150	0	0.0%	41,400	1.00
All other revenues	16,101	0	16,101		0	
Total revenues	40,251	24,150	16,101	66.7%	41,400	
Expense	51,910	100,000	(48,090)		200,000	
Excess of revenues over expenses	(11,659)	(75,850)	64,191	-84.6%	(158,600)	
Troon Operations-Golf						
Revenues (Assessments)	788,923	788,923	0		1,352,440	32.67
All other revenues	2,405,552	2,264,798	140,754	6.2%	3,342,514	
Total revenues	3,194,475	3,053,721	140,754	4.6%	4,694,954	
Expenses, Includes depreciation	2,594,145	2,378,160	215,985	9.1%	5,127,954	
Excess of revenues over expenses	600,330	675,561	(75,231)	-11.1%	(433,000)	
Troon Food & Beverage						
Revenues (Assessments)	266,380	266,380	0		456,651	11.03
All other revenues	800,803	811,334	(10,531)	-1.3%	1,347,742	
Total Revenues	1,067,183	1,077,714	(10,531)	-1.0%	1,804,393	
Expenses	1,160,049	1,017,732	142,317	14.0%	1,804,393	
Excess of (expenses) over revenues	(92,866)	59,982	(152,848)	-254.8%	0	
Total Operating Fund						
Assessments	6,631,349	6,631,349	0	0.0%	11,368,026	\$274.59
All other revenues	3,624,000	3,394,882	229,118	6.7%	5,211,256	
Total revenues	10,255,348	10,026,231	229,118	2.3%	16,579,282	
Total expenses	9,529,248	9,342,034	235,304	2.5%	17,070,883	
Excess of revenues over expenses	726,100	684,197	41,903	6.1%	(491,601)	
Replacement Fund						
Revenues						
Revenues (Assessments)	1,507,202	1,507,202		0.0%		
All other revenues	253,366	84,581	168,785	199.6%	2,583,774	\$62.41
Unrealized gain/loss on investments	832,597	0	832,597		145,000	
Total revenues	2,593,165	1,591,783	1,001,382	62.9%	2,728,774	
Total expenses	486,505	1,759,239	(1,272,734)	-72.3%	2,706,647	
Excess of revenues over expenses	2,106,660	(167,456)	2,274,116	-1358.0%	22,127	
Total Monthly Assessment						\$337.00

PEOPLE WHO MAKE OUR LIVES BETTER



Photo by Gus Ramirez

Dalila Arevalos

EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

Dalila Arevalos has been part of the custodial team for over three years. She has worked in all the different areas of the department. Dalila likes to maintain high quality standards in all her tasks and demonstrates her initiative by taking on additional projects without being asked.

Recently, Dalila stepped up when our custodial lead was absent for two months. She has been a tremendous help with training new employees, covering schedule changes, and taking control of the custodial supplies inventory and distribution.

We thank Dalila for a job well done and we are proud to recognize her as the employee of the month. Thank you for being a tremendous asset to the custodial team and for your willingness to go above and beyond.

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



FROM THE ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

VANESSA AYON | ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

The screenshot shows a web interface for the DwellingLive Gate Access Software. At the top, there is a red banner with the text "Get in the driver's seat." Below this, the interface is divided into two main sections: "Login:" and "Register Account".

Login: This section includes fields for "Email:" and "Password:", a checkbox for "Keep me logged in", a "Forgot Password" link, and a prominent red "LOGIN" button. Below the login fields, there is a small disclaimer: "By clicking Login, you agree to the Terms of Use and Privacy Policy."

Register Account: This section contains the following text: "dwellingLIVE is a service provided by your community association. To register an account, we need to pair you with an existing property created by your community manager." It then asks the user to "Select your registration process:" with two options: "I have a one-time use Registration Code" and "I have a Temporary Email & Password". At the bottom, it asks "Don't have any of the above information?" and provides the instruction: "Please contact your community manager for assistance."

DwellingLive Gate Access Software

Our online visitor management system provides the ability to manage your visitor list for gate access, view your guest history, manage your users and vehicles, and receive real-time text/email notifications when guests are registered, or guest passes are issued or denied.

Please use the temporary registration code issued to you during your registration at the HOA Office and follow the three simple steps below to register and begin using this useful management system:

Step 1

- Log in to: <https://community.dwellinglive.com>
- Click on "I have a one-time use registration code."
- Enter your temporary code.
- Complete the registration process. You will be automatically logged in.

Step 2

Select [My Account] to:

- Set up/edit account users, including contact information
- Edit login email and password
- Set text and email notification preferences
- Edit call-in password to verify identity when calling the gate (if applicable)

Step 3

Select [Home] to:

- Manage your temporary, permanent, restricted, and party guest lists. Please use caution with permanent guests!
- Prioritize phone numbers for contact by gate attendants.

If you have any questions or need login assistance, please contact the HOA Office at 760-345-4349. Existing homeowners may request a temporary code online at www.scshta.com/dwellinglivecode. Then follow steps 1-3 above.

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Design Review Committee (DRC)

AGI KESSLER | CHAIR

Getting Ready to Repair the Damage

It has been an unusual season in the Coachella Valley in general. Here in SCSH, homeowners have experienced the loss of trees and many plants, which will need to be removed entirely and/or replaced in the coming months. The sustained high temperatures, high winds, and the once-in-a-lifetime tropical storm causing flooding, followed by more heavy rains washing away rocks, caused damage to properties.



The DRC considers these matters, whether seasonal or permanent. Please evaluate the trees on your property. Have they been properly maintained? Are you relying on a gardener, an arborist, or a tree service for advice? Have all dead trees, including stumps, been removed? Please remember when removing a tree in your front yard, if it is one of your two required trees, you must replace it. If the replacement is of the same species, an HIA is not required. If the tree is a new species, please submit an HIA (www.scszca.com/hia).

Like many of your neighbors, if you have lost plants because of the excessive heat, go ahead and remove any dead and dying plants. Once the weather is cooler, please replace them with the same species, no HIA is required. If you prefer a different species, please submit an HIA.

The downpour of rain has washed away rocks or buried them deep, leaving bare areas. I have heard from many homeowners that it is almost impossible to get gardeners to replace small quantities of rocks to cover bare spots. Did you know the big garden stores have bags of rock in common colors and sizes that are the like we have in our yards? Take a sample with you, match it, have them load bags in your trunk, and ask your gardener to fill in the bare spots.

It is disheartening to have experienced this amount of damage to our properties, and the DRC is here to help you with your plans. Please let us know if you need assistance and answers. Like you, we will also be working to fix up our yards from the damage sustained.

Contact the author at designreview@scszca.com.



Finance Advisory Committee (FAC)

ROBERT O. "BOB" JESTER | CHAIR

The Finance Advisory Committee Introduces New Members

It is my pleasure to introduce two new members of the Finance Advisory Committee, who joined us this year. As I am sure you know, the committee is composed of homeowners with verifiable professional backgrounds in finance, accounting, or relevant business management. These skills are necessary so that they can act to assist the committee in its mission.

I begin by introducing Ronn Williamson, who has been appointed Vice-Chair of the Replacement Fund & Reserve Studies for the committee. This Vice-Chair position is critical to having an accurate Reserve Study, and Ronn has spent hours working with staff to better understand and update the data used to create the Reserve Study. The data supporting the study had not been reviewed critically for years, so the committee is extremely pleased to have Ronn's expertise and skill on board. Ronn built a supply management consulting and training business over the past 25 years before retirement. His consulting business was based on his earlier 23-year career in manufacturing, engineering, and supply chain management gained with *Thermo King Corporation*. *Thermo King* is a billion-dollar global manufacturer. While

servicing as an independent professional consultant, Ronn was hired by organizations around the globe to analyze procurement and inventory management operations, that would drive industry best business practices. Much of the last 12 years were spent in the oil and gas sector to establish a supply management training curriculum for *Petroskills*, an industry leader in

providing training for engineers. Ronn has a BS in mechanical engineering and an MBA from the University of Minnesota.

I now have the pleasure of introducing our newest committee member, Jim Bullock. Jim has been appointed Vice-Chair for the FAC Sub-Committee. The FAC sub-committee is the group of construction, engineering and business professionals who carefully examine every request to purchase a service or equipment in excess of \$5,000 by the Administration and then make recommendations to the Board on whether to approve those requests. The budget that this Sub-Committee oversees reaches from 2 million to 3 million dollars a year. Jim was a Fortune 500 corporation Staff Systems Analyst for 7 years, working with the corporate audit team. This team



Ronn Williamson



Jim Bullock

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performed audits of management operations, accounting practices, and computer systems for marginally performing divisional operations. Then, for over the last 34 years of Jim's professional business experience, he worked for turfgrass (i.e., golf course) maintenance equipment distributors.

His responsibilities included informational systems, accounting, budgeting, and forecasting for a \$50 million corporation. He also managed equipment leasing contracts, business inventories over three states, vendor relations, lease residuals, and the assessment of and dollar evaluations of trade-in equipment. Obviously, he comes to the committee

with very sought-after skills, which the committee has immediately made use of for the benefit of this community.

As Chair of the Finance Advisory Committee, I am extremely proud of the skilled team that serves this Association and its residents. As with any advisory committee, some may disagree with the committee's recommendations, but please rest assured that all the committee's recommendations are well researched and are made to benefit the entire community of 3,450 homes.

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BUDGET SESSION

MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE BALLROOM FRONT HALF

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2023 10:00 AM

 Sun City Shadow Hills®



From the Library

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As we slowly slide into fall, be sure to pick up a new book or two at our lovely Montecito library. You are sure to find a fascinating read that will keep you thoroughly entertained. Pick out a new author that you have never tried. Resident David Distler would like to highlight an author that he thinks you will enjoy:

Just a note to let you know about a new author in our library. At least, he is new to us but certainly not to writing. His name is Peter Robinson, a British author of the award-winning series starring Inspector Alan Banks. These are murder mysteries that take place in the dales and fells and the moorland of the small villages in England. Robinson brings these areas to life as if you were right there, but in fact you are on the edge of your seat unwilling to put the book down. There are about 30 novels in this series, but start with one of the earlier ones like Innocent Graves or Blood at the Root because Inspector Banks and the other characters evolve over time. You will be really glad you did.

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WOMEN OF GIN

BY BOB FIRRING | PHOTOS PROVIDED BY BRONWYN DEAS

The Isle of Cumbrae is a small island off the western coast of Scotland. It is the country's most accessible island, just an eight-minute ferry ride from the mainland. Only four miles long, one can easily cycle around it in an hour. Cumbrae has only one town, Millport, and 1,200 permanent residents.

The isle might sound uninteresting except that it is the summer home of SCSH residents Bronwyn and Edwin Deas. Born in Edinburgh, Edwin spent his summer holidays on Cumbrae as a child, and he considers the island his spiritual home, reliving childhood memories each time he visits.



The charming historic harbor

Millport has an historic town hall that was built in the 1800s, but it was closed because of disrepair in 2015. Five couples met for the first time in 2019 at a pub for trivia night; and the women got talking about how the town might raise the £3 million needed to repair the hall. Out of that chance encounter came the idea to launch a gin distillery, Isle of Cumbrae Distillers, even though none of the women had any background in the food or beverage industry.

Being five women "of a certain age" with no background in the beverage industry proved to be no deterrent. In 2020, in the middle of the pandemic, the

women crowdfunded £22,000 for distilling equipment and attracted a large number of supporters. An island philanthropist later came forward and purchased their still...no strings attached!



The owners before their storefront

When the women informed a competitor on a neighboring island of their plan, the competitor offered help, not only giving them a list of resources but lending them a Master Distiller who trained them in the distilling process for a year. While COVID closed everything down for a while, the women used the time to learn about the licensing process, which proved to be very complex with six required permits. Brexit complicated their supply chain, but they persevered and worked through it.

Marketing is paramount in the local gin industry: Scotland has over 100 distilleries that produce over 500 gins. The women knew they had to have three things to be successful. First, they had to develop great gins. Since their launch in September 2020, their products have won eight global awards.

Second, they needed captivating labels. They engaged local Scottish artists to help them. For their

most recent label, “Maura,” Bronwyn approached a celebrated national artist to create the design, secretly fearing that they wouldn’t be able to afford her. After hearing their story, however, the artist agreed to donate the label in return for a year’s supply of gin that she would then auction off for her charities. The label celebrates the contributions women have made to the history of Scotland. It is magnificent, as you can see.



Finally, the women had to have a great story. I think you will agree theirs is very compelling because they are one of the only women-owned distilleries in Scotland.

“Our brand celebrates Scottish craft gin, the resilience of Scottish island communities, and us as women, older women with a ‘yes, I can’ attitude, who decided one day that we were going to open a gin distillery...and did it! We represent the possibilities for older women: the possibility that you can start a business at any age with a good idea; the possibility that a woman can be successful in a male-dominated

industry; and the possibility that age is indeed just a number and success is about having a good attitude, a plan, and passion.”

Despite having limited experience, these women of gin have moved ahead quickly. In 2021, they won the Association of Scotland Businesswomen’s Most Innovative Start-Up and Ayrshire Businesswomen’s Enterprise of the Year Awards. In 2022, they won the Association of Scottish Businesswomen’s Enterprise of the Year. That is a national award, and they feel great about it.



Bronwyn

Although currently limited to selling their gins in the UK, Bronwyn is working on an export plan to produce their gins here in California through a Palms Springs producer. The U.S. is a huge market, and it would enable the business to expand even faster. It also would give our residents the opportunity to drink a beautiful gin made by a neighbor. Stay tuned!

For more information about the distillery, visit www.isleofcumbrae-distillers.com.

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STORY AND PHOTOS BY RALPH OLSON



Just two blocks east of the Las Vegas Strip along Paradise Road stands a building, or a beer hall, which is an exact replica of the famous Hofbräuhaus of Oktoberfest fame in Munich, Germany. The ceiling is hand-painted and identical to the original with no graphics repeated – each is unique with no duplication. A local artist spent over four weeks on lifts to perfect what the guests see while raising their beer steins. No ordinary restaurant, Hofbräuhaus Las Vegas is the ultimate energetic party of beer, food, and fun where Bavarian hospitality abounds.

The beer, which represents 25 percent of the restaurant's revenue, is not brewed onsite. It's shipped from Munich, then flown to Los Angeles and trucked to Las Vegas. Hofbräu beer is produced using original recipes and following the "purity order" handed down by Wilhelm IV of Bavaria over 500 years ago. Three brews are regularly featured on tap throughout the year: Oktoberfest Unfiltered Lager, Maibock (dark), and a summer brew.

But wine and spirit lovers need not fear. While the beer cellar holds enough beer for 10,000 34-ounce steins, there is a dedicated cellar for chilled wines and liquor for signature shots.

Besides the savory schnitzel, sausages, and sauerbraten, sample the Hofbräuhaus pretzels, which many guests laud as "the best I have ever tasted." The pretzels undergo a long and exacting journey before they land on your table. These little jewels are brought in from overseas and then baked at the Hofbräuhaus so they are brown on the outside but light and fluffy on the inside. They spend eight weeks on a ship from Germany in specialized, carefully monitored containers that keep them properly frozen. Every three to four months, a new container arrives and is ready to hit



The pretzels



The beer



The beer hall

the tables with creamy cheeses and sweet or onion-flavored German mustards.

The beer hall (dining room) seats 400 with its benches and tables of sturdy European construction designed to support the weight of guests, either seated or standing with their beer steins lifted. Adjacent is the Biergarten (beer garden) which simulates an outdoor setting with trees and a central fountain. The restaurant went to great lengths to make this area as authentic as possible by shaping the tree leaves to replicate what is actually native to Germany. Molds for the leaves were developed, sent to Germany where the leaves were made, and then sent back to Las Vegas. It took craftsmen three months to create the leaves, hand-place the tree trunks, and then painstakingly install the thousands of leaves on each tree.

When you are ready for a refill, Hofbräuhaus uses a \$250,000 state-of-the-art beverage system, the first of its kind in the U.S., for beer, wine, liquor, soft drinks, and coffee. Serving sizes are exact with no loss of product or error in measure while reducing staff needed and speeding up the guest's order. Glasses and mugs are washed separately from serving plates using different fluids. This ensures that no residue affects flavor, aroma, or foam.

The fresh German dishes are prepared in the kitchen and then placed on a conveyer belt to travel to the appropriate serving station. This makes the kitchen faster and the servers more efficient, ultimately getting the food to the guest much more quickly. After use,



The beer garden

the serving plates and utensils are then placed on the same conveyer belt and washed in a huge energy-efficient dishwasher, allowing a quick turnaround.

Your experience will be enhanced with live music by the Biermeister Band that performs Bavarian tunes throughout the week or by Johann, whose show on the weekends includes a visit to the guests at every table in the beer hall.



The Biermeister Band

As if this weren't enough, classic German shots are delivered to your table on a large wooden paddle that holds up to six servings. After downing a shot, the guest may request a solid smack from the paddle. This tradition ensures that, if the shot doesn't sting, the paddle just might!

Until next time...keep exploring!

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CAROLE NELSON

Finding “A Kind of Magic”

BY AGGIE JORDAN | PHOTOS BY ROBERT DE LAURENTI



Carole

A resident of Sun City Shadow Hills since 2005, Carole grew up in Hartford, CT, with two sisters who were eight and nine years older. Their Mom and Dad divorced when Carole was eight years old, and their mother took over the ownership of their Italian restaurant. Surrounded by celebrities, Carole’s aunt, Ann Corio, was a celebrated burlesque star in New York and Boston and later a successful actress who also put together and directed the off-Broadway show, *This Was Burlesque*. Her uncle, Bob Williams, was the famous dog act on *The Ed Sullivan Show*.

As Miss Greater Hartford of 1962, and a candidate for the Miss Connecticut Contest, Carole’s sponsors required many community involvements. Among these, she introduced the Beach Boys on stage and began a short-lived romance with their manager. Eventually, she found herself working for record company executives in New York. At 21, Carole went off to Los Angeles to find her rightful place among the famous talented people of Hollywood. She was seeking the “Kind of Magic” that Queen sang about. With her record company experience, she had no problem landing a job with the Los Angeles executives in the

business. Nor did this beautiful young woman have trouble getting dates when she was surrounded by so many artists in the record business.

Carole describes that time in her life:

I fell in love with ordinary guys who then went on to be famous and my relationship with them would end: Teddy Neeley, a musician who later played Jesus Christ in the movie, Jesus Christ Superstar, and Phil Volk, with whom I madly fell in love and wanted to marry. But then he became a member of Paul Revere and the Raiders and broke off with me. My talent was to get involved in relationships before the guy became famous.



Queen in Carole’s kitchen

In 1973 Carole married Jack Nelson, the first manager of Queen, in London and often accompanied Jack and the band on the road. Shopping with Freddy Mercury “who always knew and acted like the brilliant star he was,” doing the band’s stage make-up, making sure they were fed, and going on vacation with them to Hawaii allowed Carole to get to know these stars as people. But fidelity was not Jack Nelson’s strong point, and the marriage ended after three years. In another two years, Jack Nelson was out as Queen’s manager, and this previously unknown band exploded with publicity.

No stranger to the rich and famous, Carole worked for Elmer Valentine, joint owner of the famous Hollywood Whiskey A Go Go and The Trip on Sunset Boulevard. She remains in touch with both Brian May of Queen as well as Phil Volk who, in November 2020, released a two-CD set called "Rocker" that covered five decades of his career.

In the 1980s, Carole met Chris De Rose, who had been a character actor on the ABC series *San Pedro Beach*, *General Hospital*, *Cagney and Lacey*, *CHiPs*, *The Rockford Files*, and *Baretta*. Most important to Carole, Chris is a well-known animal rights activist who created *Last Chance for Animals*. Carole joined him in his activism. "What we did as activists then, we would be called and jailed as terrorists today. It was the best PR work of my life that had meaning. No celeb work measured up." Chris De Rose, 78, is still active in leading animal rights protection worldwide. In 1997 he received the International Peace Award for his work protecting animals internationally.

Carole values her 35-year friendship with the late legendary producer, Phil Spector. She remains in touch with his children whom she often babysat. Carole found refuge when Phil invited her to his mansion after her divorce. Phil was very kind to her, bringing her hot chocolate at night, singing to raise her spirits, and expressing empathy for her suffering. Despite Phil's subsequent murder conviction, Carole has never forgotten his kindness to her when it was so needed. She hopes that each of us will also be remembered for the good we have done in this world.

Here at SCSH Carole is known for her love of cats. In the past, Carole has rescued innumerable cats from the streets, from sewers, and even from an RV campground. When a friend called Carole in the dead of night to help with a cat that was left with her newborns without help in that campground, Carole stepped into action. Her friends knew that Carole would save the most unfortunate cat. Carole is grateful for all those who are able to do that today, but at age 80 Carole dedicates her time to her own cats.

Carole has been an indomitable volunteer and an active member of the SCSH Democratic Club, leading



Carole and Prozak, the cat

the postcard-writing campaign to get out the vote. It is not only cats that Carole cares for. In December 2022, she took it upon herself to honor our SCSH security employees for their dedicated work in protecting us. She organized a Christmas fund to raise \$25 for each of the 25 security employees. When she asked some of the employees what they would do with the money, one employee said he would buy a recliner for his mother who is on dialysis. Others mentioned that they would buy food for their families.

With this motivation, Carole spread the word on Next Door, and attended numerous club meetings to ask for donations. The story attracted the attention of a resident who offered to buy that recliner for the young man's mother. The generosity of many of our residents allowed each employee to receive \$90 instead of the planned \$25.

We are fortunate to have Carole Nelson living here at SCSH for the last 17 years, and we salute her for all her volunteer caring. She has brought "A Kind of Magic" to so many lives here at Sun City Shadow Hills.

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SURVIVING THE ANTARCTIC

STORY AND PHOTOS BY ELLIE MAHAFFEY

The Antarctic continent, or “The Ice,” is the coldest, windiest, driest place on earth. The average summer temperature is minus 26 degrees at McMurdo Station, the largest U.S. base there. During the summer (October – February), the sun shines 24 hours a day and, during a “heat wave,” temperatures can reach 13 degrees above zero.

In September 1976, in my late twenties, I became the Navy’s first civilian employee (and one of eight females in a population of 1,000 men) to do two five-month tours. Although I knew it would be the experience of a lifetime, the real stand-out was being the only female to do three-day survival training.

Life on base is relatively safe. But only three miles away in bad weather could be disastrous and even cost you your life. When I finally finagled permission to accompany an expedition, the instructor warned

there would be no exceptions for a female. I said I did not expect any.

At 5 am, I met up with our crew of eight. We were in full survival gear: long thermal underwear, green military fatigues, windproof over-pants; a lined parka with fur-trimmed hood, scarf, and knitted hat with face mask; knitted gloves with a leather outer shell and bear claws (a fur-backed over-mitten); woolen socks inside air-tight boots; and (most important) double gradient sunglasses for protection against snow blindness.

Moving like fat oversized bears, we climbed into a tracked vehicle nicknamed the Texas Twister, which dropped us off about 50 miles away with our supplies and equipment. Our only contact with the base was a radio transmitter for emergency use. I had a strong feeling of isolation as I watched that vehicle disappear over the hill.

First order of business was to build our shelters by cutting blocks with an ice saw about three feet long and six inches thick. We dug out five holes six feet deep by three feet wide, then leaned ice blocks against one another for the roof. This was hard labor and, at 40 below, we were working in shirt sleeves. Next, we carved a shelf off the wall in each hole to serve as a bed rack. Last, we dug a small entrance tunnel to protect the hut from the wind. Because I was the only female, I had a hut to myself.



Ellie in full survival gear



Ellie climbing out of her ice cave

Then we settled down to lunch. Canned C-rations are not tasty, but I was hungry and they tasted great. Then came the climb up the “hills” behind us, which looked more like steep, ice-covered mountains. We used ice picks to carve each step upward in a zig-zag path. Exhausting!

Next came our descent. To practice stopping if we fell, our instructor told us to lie on our backs, ice pick across our chest, then push off. If we felt we were going too fast, we were to roll over, dig in the pick, use body weight to stop – and pray it worked. Right then, I wished I was back at McMurdo Station.

After all the other trainees had gone down, the instructor pointed to me. Feeling sick inside, I pushed off and slid down about 6 feet and then, because I saw I could stop, I continued all the way down. It was then that the guys accepted me.

We returned to our campsite, and the weather had begun to worsen. The instructor called base camp and found they had been trying to reach us: a storm was moving in rapidly. It was too late to send a rescue vehicle. We hurriedly secured our supplies and huts. With the winds blowing snow at about 40 mph, I figured we would get into the huts.

Our instructor had other ideas: we were going to test a new type of tent that could be erected in high winds. It was a struggle, but we did it. The storm had turned into a full blown “whiteout.” The visibility was a few inches. We finally adjourned to our huts to wait it out. With the howling wind and the cold, I thought I would never get to sleep; but exhaustion won out.



Ellie, the tenth female to reach the South Pole

By morning, the storm had passed as quickly as it had come. We headed inland over rugged terrain to learn to test for ice crevasses and do more climbing. It was a beautiful, clear day, and the sights were breathtaking as we walked over fields of sparkling glass ice crystals. Hiking in pairs, we learned to use ice cleats, plus lower and raise our partner by rope over the cliffs.

By mid-afternoon, we reached an area that was quite steep. Our instructor said, if we felt nervous, we could stop and wait there. But I decided that following the instructor was much preferable, and the view from the top was worth it. Looking over a vast expanse of pristine mountains and ice fields, there was nothing in sight as far as the eye could see. I felt so insignificant; the quiet was like being in a soundproof booth.

After a dreary, cold night in the ice hut, we arose for our last day out. Using me as the guinea pig, our team learned how to carry an injured party on a banana sled, which is like a toboggan. The men had fun leaving me tied up and wrapped like a mummy on the sled.

When the joking was over, we explored some spectacular ice caves. After descending by rope, we walked through hallways of ice. Our lanterns created soft hues on the walls in green and gold. Pillars and icicles like sparkling crystal stalactites hung from the roof. Unforgettable!

We policed the area where we camped, leaving it as we found it. Soon we saw the red Texas Twister heading our way. Back at base, I was very proud when our instructor told the Task Force Commander (my immediate boss) how well I had done, even climbing where some of the guys wouldn't go.

The adventure was over, but the indelible memories remain.

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THAR'S GOLD IN THEM THAR HILLS!

BY GEORGE ERHART

Whenever you hear the term “gold mining,” you probably think of the Gold Rush, the 49ers, and Sutter’s Fort, which are all located in Northern California. But here in Southern California, there are 10,792 registered mines on public lands in Riverside County. Gold, copper, and silver were the most common metals that were mined.

In Joshua Tree National Park, there are 288 historic mining sites and 747 openings. I have visited several old mine sites, both inside the park and in the surrounding area. If you’re interested in exploring yourself, I recommend the Silver Bell Mine inside the park. It’s only a short hike from the main road, so you won’t need a four-wheel drive vehicle.



Mines I visited in Joshua Tree (photos by Craig Estes)

Wherever gold was found, years later a tale about a “lost gold mine” always seemed to surface. In our area, it’s Peg Leg’s Lost Gold Mine and involves characters named Fig Tree John and, as you might expect, Peg Leg Pete.

The story began in the early 1900s, when a man named Smith got lost in a dust storm while traveling from Arizona to Los Angeles. Along the way, he picked up what looked like black rocks but really were solid gold nuggets encrusted with black residue. Legend has it that, when Smith was near death, he entrusted the location of the gold to another colorful desert character named Fig Tree John, who was the leader of the Cahuilla people and lived near the north end of the Salton Sea. Fig Tree John was known to wear a silk top hat, a Civil War coat, and walk barefoot across the desert.



Fig Tree John (photo courtesy of Banning Public Library)

Before he died, Smith sought refuge in a boarding house owned by Mrs. Brickman and her daughter, Ellen. As his health declined, Smith drew two maps identifying the location of the gold nuggets and gave them to the Brickmans. Allegedly, when the owners of the boarding house went through Smith's belongings, they found so much gold that they never had to worry about money again.

Giving further credence to this tale are reports that, occasionally, Fig Tree John would go into town and pay for his purchases with black-encrusted gold stones. (Remember, Smith allegedly had told him the location of the gold.)

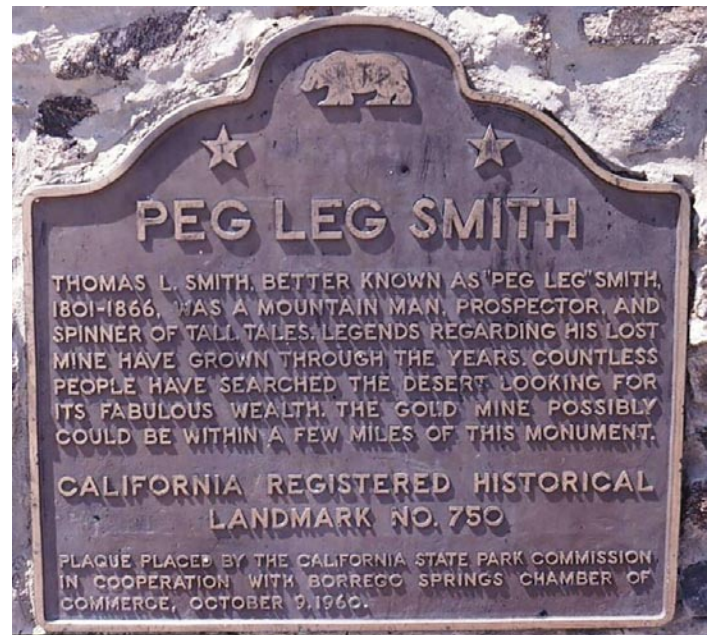
In 1923, Ellen struck up a friendship with Zaddie Bunker and her husband, Ed. Ellen went to the bank where the maps had been stored. She kept one map (which allegedly identified the exact location) and gave a "general area map" to the Bunkers. Along with friend Cornelia White, the Bunkers rented two burros; assembled food, water, and bedrolls; and took off to find Peg Leg Pete's Lost Gold Mine. They searched for days and picked up lots of black rocks, but no gold. All of the above took place 100 or more years ago, and people have been looking for the pure gold stones covered with a black coating ever since.

Then, in 1965, *The Desert Sun* received a small package that contained a short letter, a manuscript, and two gold nuggets. The letter said, "I'm enclosing two of Peg Leg's nuggets. One is still black, exactly as found, and the other has had the black copper oxides removed." In the manuscript, the writer claimed to have found about \$325,000 in black gold nuggets between 1955 and 1965 (that's about \$5 million at today's price of gold).

When *The Desert Sun* published the article, a modern-day gold rush started. Metal detector sales soared as everyone tried to find Peg Leg Pete's lost gold mine.

In case this article has given some of you "gold fever" and the desire to find some of those black rocks containing pure gold, Google Peg Leg Pete's Lost Gold Mine. You will find several variations of the story,

often differing from the one I've told you here. Some versions claim that Peg Leg was known as a horse thief, heavy drinker, and a spinner of tall tales. Another theorizes that the gold stones Smith picked up had been exposed by the wind in the dust storm that engulfed him and that subsequent storms have covered them up.



If you buy that theory, maybe the stones were again uncovered by our recent dust storm! So, with all this "information," if you want to head out in the desert to discover those black rocks of gold that are just waiting to be found, grab a couple of bottles of water plus your cell phone (just in case)...and GOOD LUCK!

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E.T., WAIT FOR ME!

BY GINA STAR POLLACK



Look! Up in the sky! Is it a spy balloon? Is it a drone? Wow, it's a UAP!

So many people are obsessed with UAPs (unidentified aerial phenomena, the new name for alien spacecraft). There are countless bizarre accounts of extraterrestrial encounters worldwide, and many appear truthful. Because October 9 is Curious Events Day, let's look at the evidence.

A government task force investigated 144 UAP reports received between 2004 and 2021 to determine if China, Russia, or extraterrestrial beings launched the enigmatic spacecraft. In 2007, the Pentagon established the Advanced Aerospace Threat Identification Program to study UAPs. They investigated over 360 new sightings; and most were determined to be drones, balloons, and aerial debris. The program was formally disbanded after five years.

Concerned about potential threats to national security, the House of Representatives has heard testimony from defense officials who presented videos of aerial objects observed by the military. The reports included sightings of entities with unusual flight characteristics and capabilities. At this point, there is no solid evidence of alien connections.

Remember the cryptic balloon that flew over the United States and Canada for a week last February before the military shot it down? It was a Chinese spy balloon that transmitted data to Beijing despite our government's efforts to prevent it. The Chinese

Foreign Ministry said the balloon was an isolated event, not a government spy vessel. LOL!

The Defense Department eventually released an infamous recording called the "Tic Tac" video years after it was filmed in 2004 during a routine training mission on the USS *Nimitz* off the coast of Southern California. Navy ships and planes tracked an oval-shaped flying object resembling a Tic Tac breath mint. Four pilots saw the strange entity as it flew at high speed over the water before disappearing. Yet, there was no explanation provided for the mysterious Tic Tac.

Spotting familiar shapes in the sky can suggest a connection between humans and aliens. The James Webb Space Telescope recently caught an amazing image of a pair of stars forming. At the bottom of the picture is an orange formation shaped like a question mark. Scientists believe the punctuation-shaped entity could be two or more galaxies merging. But I think the aliens are teasing us!



This Halloween, I'm dressing up as a little green extraterrestrial with aluminum foil wings. So if you look up at the sky and spot a strange green object, don't fret; it's just me frolicking with my alien pals!

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THERE ARE STILL CULINARY SURPRISES

Even After Decades of Marital Bliss

BY KRIS DOWNEY

I like vegetables – most vegetables, that is. As far as I’m concerned vegetables come in two categories: the kind you butter, salt, and willingly consume; and the kind you butter, salt, and leave in a heap on your plate. Hopefully, unless you’re under 10 years old, the kinds you willingly consume outnumber the ones you leave in a heap. However, some veggies, no matter how much butter and salt I add, never make it to my “willingly consume” category. For example, lima beans.

Lima beans are a vegetable I eat only to be polite. Luckily for me, being polite is not a big requirement in my daily vegetable consumption. And because I am the chief vegetable provider in the family, the vegetable selection is left up to me—thus, no lima beans.

All was well, or so I thought. Then Hubs, after decades of lima-bean-free marital bliss, informs me his favorite vegetable is lima beans. “Oh, really,” I say.



He goes on to expound on the virtues of lima beans: the to-die-for aroma, the melt-in-your-mouth texture and, of course, the nutritional workhorse qualities of which the entire universe, with the exception of me, is fully aware. Feeling sufficiently shamed, I beeline to the grocery store and buy a can.

“You bought canned lima beans?” he asks, barely containing his disdain. “Everyone knows canned lima beans are the worst.” Apparently, not everyone.

My next attempt at filling the bean void in our marriage was a bag of frozen jumbo limas. “The jumbos are tough,” he tells me. By this time, I have my own idea on how to fill the bean void in our marriage.

But being the good wife I allege to be, I trot off to find fresh, not canned, baby, not jumbo, lima beans.

Finally, after several unsuccessful trips to local lima bean dealers, I find a source—an overly polite bean peddler at a roadside stand. He flashes a toothless grin and goes on to give me cooking instructions. Steam, never boil, dot with butter, and serve being ever so careful not to bruise a single bean. I thank him and wonder how many beans he’s short. At home, I nuke the limas and dump them in a bowl.

My lima bean-deprived spouse sits down and takes in the splendor of a lovingly prepared meal: leftover meatloaf; leftover mac and cheese; and fresh, not canned, baby, not jumbo, lima beans, all nuked to perfection. I anxiously wait for him to acknowledge my obvious talents.

“Where’s the butter?” he asks. “In the fridge,” I reply. “Limas need butter,” he says. “Your point?” I respond. He gets my point and the butter. I watch him savor the lima beans as I leave mine in a buttered and salted heap on my plate.

“I bought your favorite dessert,” I say. “Strawberry rhubarb pie?” he asks.

As I slice the devil’s food cake, I wonder—who have I been sharing meals with all these years?



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NAVIGATING SENIOR HEALTHCARE

BY BETH BOLDUC

When I began researching this story, I didn't realize how complex it could be to choose, compare, or change a person's senior healthcare plan. Partway through writing this article, I thought I might change my own healthcare plan. I had been happy with my provider for over 25 years. I felt set. However, for me a contentious issue had cropped up recently and still isn't resolved. So, what started out as a "research project" for this story has become an actual journey for me.

I'll share some of my findings in the hope our readers will benefit. Perhaps one or more of these thoughts can give you ideas to explore. Please note: I by no means claim to be an expert. I'll leave that to the Medicare Health Insurance Advisors I'll mention later.

Much of my information comes from tips and "word of mouth" recommendations from community friends and neighbors. Some were changing plans for their own personal reasons, and some were new residents searching for plans here in the Coachella Valley. Each of us has a different set of needs and challenges, so there can be no "one size fits all" answer.

Above all, if you're feeling overwhelmed, you're not alone. But hopefully this article will provide some resources and starting points as a rough beginning for your search. So go for it!

Whether you're new to the Coachella Valley or want to compare your present coverage to find a better healthcare plan fit, the task can be intimidating. But I've found that it's very helpful to talk first with friends or family in the area. "Word of mouth" referrals are often a well-focused beginning point. If you're new to the area, perhaps your current doctor can recommend a local plan or network.

A doctor friend emphasized that finding a "fit" with a care provider is the most important step, but first you must decide on a network. Here's where the challenge comes in: PPO, HMO, or something else?

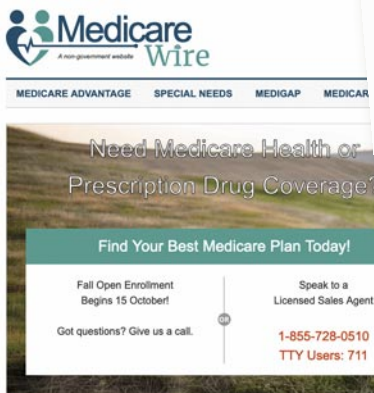
By far, most plans in the Coachella Valley are HMOs. Begin by investigating what each plan covers by asking a few basics questions. What are the out-of-pocket expenses and deductibles? Does the plan pay for dental, eye tests, and glasses? Does it cover the prescription medicines you currently take, and at what cost? How do you find a list of the doctors and specialists in each plan that you can choose from? Can you stay with any of your current doctors?

Those of us over age 65 who have Medicare or Medicare Advantage Health Insurance might consider consulting a licensed Medicare Health Insurance Advisor. It's important to be sure the Advisor is licensed. Advisors can provide in-depth and clear information about the plans offered in our area of Riverside County at NO COST. Quite often an Advisor can navigate the enrollment set-up or change for you as well. Check out the ads in our *View* magazine, the *Sun City Insider*, and local health magazines for Advisors. But be sure to verify that any advisor works at NO COST to you.

The typical open enrollment/change period takes place in the fall (October through December). The *Medicare & You* handbook that is distributed then is a good resource. But honestly, I found it overwhelming as I tried to evaluate the different plans. So many choices and comparisons! This is where an Advisor can often cut through the confusion. As always, word-of-mouth testimony from local friends and family can round out your information arsenal.

Don't get me wrong, the *Medicare & You* handbook is very thorough and has many helpful answers and references. But you might want to start well before you receive the handbook if you're considering changing plans.

Cost and coverage are the biggest components in someone's choice. So carefully check the out-of-pocket expenses and deductibles. Here are two more



10 Reasons Why Medicare Advantage are Bad

by David Blynn, July 31, 2023

Are Medicare Advantage Plans Good or Bad? Due to their cost structure, Advantage plan may be a bad choice if you frequently use healthcare services. Monthly premiums are enticing, but high out-of-pocket costs can make the plan option more expensive for some. In ... [Read more...]

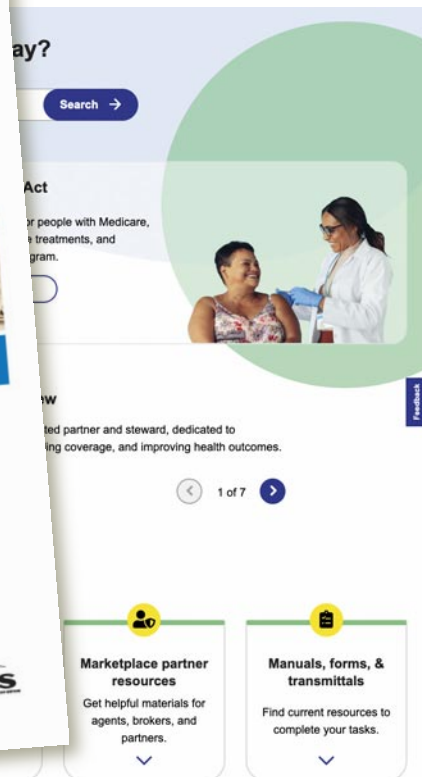
Are Medicare Supplements Worth It or A Waste of Money?

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information resources you can tap into via the internet: CMS' *Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Service* ([cms.gov](https://www.cms.gov)), and *Medicare Wire* ([medicarewire.com](https://www.medicarewire.com)).

Also, be aware there are several enrollment periods: Initial Enrollment when you turn 65, Annual Open Enrollment, and Special Enrollment, which can be caused by various life circumstances such as moving out of your plan's service area.

Then, in addition to your basic plan, there's Medigap or supplemental insurance. This covers expenses that regular Medicare plans may not pay for like unusual hospital costs, deductibles, dental, catastrophic diseases, eye care and glasses, and much more. This, too, is a very complicated issue.

There are many internet resources that discuss supplemental insurance and why you might need to consider such a plan. I found the AARP Medicare Question and Answer Tool a tremendous resource (<https://www.aarp.org/health/medicare-insurance/>).

An Advisor can also be an excellent sounding board as you explore supplemental plans.

Your unique healthcare needs, plus what you see as your future care requirements, will inevitably drive your final decision. Just know that you are not locked into one plan forever – you can change or add a supplemental plan at specific times, generally once a year in the fall. But be aware there may be a waiting period until new coverage begins.

I hope this article has helped to shed some light on this complicated issue as well as your choices and resources. As we age it's not easy to navigate the ins and outs, but know you have many options and choices.

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A FOLLOW-UP REPORT TO OUR READERS

FROM THE VIEW SURVEY TEAM

Last May, we published initial findings from the survey of readers that we conducted early this year. We wanted to see if you found The View valuable and interesting, as well as to solicit your suggestions for improvement. We were delighted that over 240 of you took the time to write personal comments! Here is how we are using your helpful input to improve the magazine:

HOA Board, Committee, and Staff Reports

This category includes columns from Lifestyle, Safety, Finance, and Fitness, as well as the President's and Treasurer's Reports, Golf Operations, Food & Beverage, and the Chef's Corner. Readers were pleased to receive the staff and Board information, and they were enthusiastic about receiving household tips and improvement ideas. Some commented, however, that several administrative articles were too long.

We provided your unedited comments directly to these managers: the entire HOA Board, the General and Assistant General Managers, and Troon's Golf Operations Manager. We also gave them the "raw data" from all the survey responses.

Feature Stories

Nothing pumps us up like positive, exciting, and loving comments from the residents about our work on *The View* magazine. It pleased us when one reader

recognized the amount of volunteer time this involves: "This would be a very expensive magazine if you charged for it."

Sixty percent of readers expressed appreciation for our Features stories. The profiles of our residents merited high praise, as did the articles that give specific information on happenings here through Lifestyle and in the local area. But we cannot be content with our performance to date, so we are also grateful to our readers for suggestions about where we can improve.

Several readers requested that writers include more details in their articles. In the announcement of events, they would like clear definitions of the Who, What, Where, and When. Another reader thought a few stories may be "too short." Sometimes we agree with that comment, but the length of an article is guided by the limit on the number of pages set for each issue. Our norm is not to exceed two pages of text and images.

A number of you would like to see more information about what is going on in Indio and surrounding areas as well as more details about Board members and Committee Chairs. On Charter Clubs, many responses suggested going beyond describing their activities to add more info about their members. Another reader suggested we expand our scope beyond our local area, which we have tried to do during the last couple of years. Day trips and ideas for vacations seem to be of interest to many readers.

Please know that we have taken all your suggestions seriously and that our writers are continuing to work on improving the magazine for you.

Advertisements

Several survey respondents expressed concern about the cost of producing a high-quality magazine like *The View*, wondering whether we could achieve savings by decreasing the quality of the paper stock or by other cost-cutting measures. But this is not a concern because revenue from advertising pays for slightly more than 70% of our production costs. The remainder is covered by a small subsidy for which the Board budgets each year.

We were delighted that many respondents told us they consult the ads in *The View* first and foremost whenever they need repair or other work done in their homes. Some respondents also said, when a friend or

neighbor asks them to recommend a contractor, they ask, "Have you looked in *The View*?"

More than one respondent thought the ads could be better differentiated. For example, many realtors advertise in the magazine; they could include a coupon in their ads offering a small gift for attending an open house. Contractors and vendors could also offer a discount coupon to readers of *The View*.

Our HOA staff continue to search for new and more advertisers to increase revenue, and your referral of potential advertisers to our HOA staff would be most helpful. Whenever you use contractors that advertise in *The View*, please also tell them that is where you found them.

Contact the View Survey Team at view@scshca.com.



Want to Write for *The View*?

We are always looking for writers for *The View* magazine. If you are interested, please contact us at the following email address:

view@scshca.com

We look forward to reading your stories!



LIFESTYLE UPDATE

CONNIE KING
LIFESTYLE DIRECTOR

On Tuesday, September 5, residents headed to famous Balboa Park in San Diego. They visited the site of Comic-Con Museum, Fleet Science Center, and more.



Balboa Park. Photos by Veronica Moya.

On September 30, Lifestyle ended the summer with its Island Time event. Approximately 200 residents attended the event to enjoy live island-style music, food, and festivities with family and friends.

Lifestyle's event calendar in October is full! We have many activities, trips, and excursions for everyone to enjoy. As part of our educational programs, I hope you will join us on October 23 at 10 am for some valuable information about identity theft, scams, and fraud.

The Lifestyle Advisory Committee, along with staff, are working on planning another getaway in Spring or Fall 2024.

We want to express our sincere gratitude, always, for your support and participation!

Contact the author at connie.king@associa.us.



LIFESTYLE
SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, October 9
Trip to Santa Anita Park Race Track

Friday, October 13
New Homeowner Orientation
Club Expo
Italian Night

Saturday, October 21
Parking Lot Sale

Monday, October 23
Anti Fraud & Scams Presentaion

Sunday, October 29
Outdoor Concert
Earth, Wind and Fire Tribute

Thursday, October 31
Halloween Pet Parade

For more info, call Lifestyle at 760-345-4349 ext. 2120
For tickets visit: scszca.com/tickets





 Sun City Shadow Hills®

CHARTERED CLUB AND

COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER FAIR

The Sun City Shadow Hills Club Fair will feature over 50 Charter Clubs. Learn first-hand about all the wonderful activities and programs for your enjoyment. In addition, current Committee members will be available to speak about their functions and contributions to Sun City Shadow Hills. If you are interested in providing your skills by volunteering, please join us on October 13, 2023.

Volunteering has more than a terrific social benefit: It allows you to get involved where you live, start new friendships, or simply try something new.

MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE

**JOIN US FRIDAY
OCTOBER 13**

11AM-1PM

CONCERT ON THE GREENS



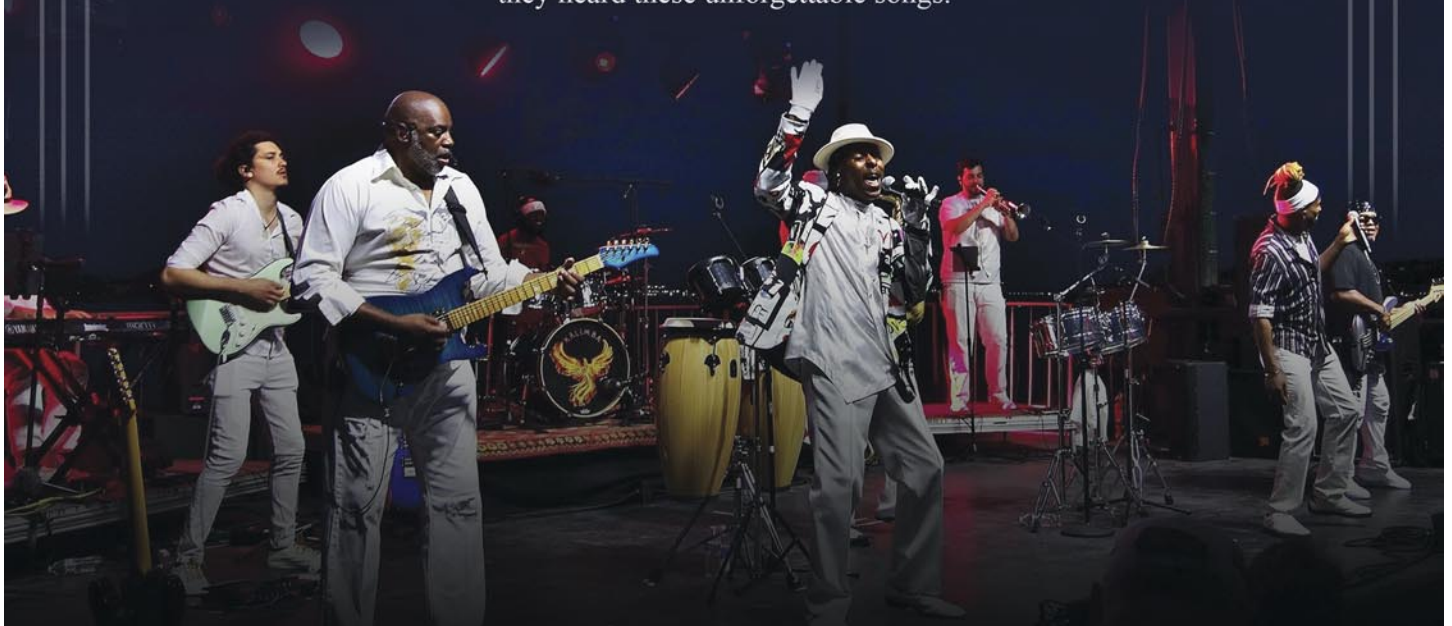
KALIMBA

SPIRIT OF EARTH, WIND & FIRE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2023 • FREE

SOUTH COURSE LAWN • DOORS: 6:00PM • SHOW: 7:00PM

The internationally touring show Kalimba, The Spirit of Earth Wind and Fire, provides an experience so satisfying it transports audiences back to the excitement of the first time they heard these unforgettable songs.



DONT FORGET TO BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR | FOOD AND BAR PROVIDED BY SHADOWS | NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINKS ALLOWED



Parking Lot SALE

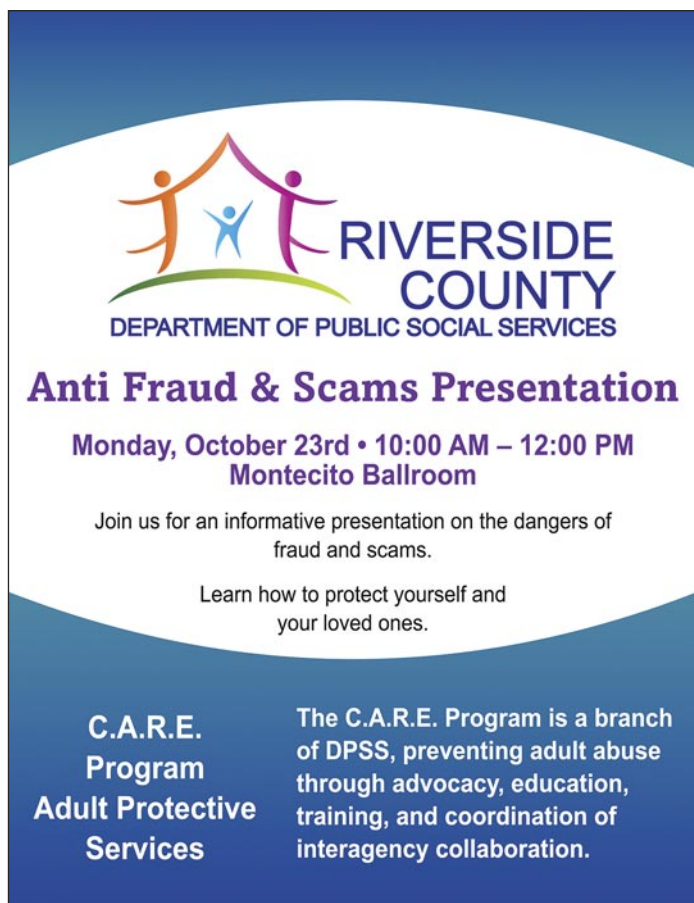

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2023

7:30 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

BOOTH FEE: \$10

MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE & FITNESS PARKING LOTS

IF YOU WISH TO PURCHASE A SPACE VISIT
WWW.SCSHCA.COM/TICKETS
 SIGN UP BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2023

Anti Fraud & Scams Presentation

Monday, October 23rd • 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Montecito Ballroom

Join us for an informative presentation on the dangers of fraud and scams.

Learn how to protect yourself and your loved ones.

C.A.R.E. Program
Adult Protective Services

The C.A.R.E. Program is a branch of DPSS, preventing adult abuse through advocacy, education, training, and coordination of interagency collaboration.



HALLOWEEN PET PARADE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023 | 1:00PM - 3:00PM

LOCATION: PHASE III DOG PARK

JOIN US FOR THE
1ST ANNUAL HALLOWEEN PET PARADE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN REGISTERING YOUR PET VISIT
SCSHCA.COM/PETPARADE TO COMPLETE THE REGISTRATION.

WE'LL SEE YOU AT THE PARADE!

ALL RESIDENTS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND THE FESTIVITIES



Holiday GIFT BOUTIQUE

Saturday, November 11, 2023 | 9AM – 1PM
Montecito Clubhouse

Join us for the Sun City Shadow Hills Holiday Gift Boutique where you can find unique gifts for every occasion and everyone on your gift giving list.

We are thrilled to bring you one of a kind handcrafted items made by our residents and as many distinctive items as we can possibly find to offer something fun for everyone.

Vendor sign ups start Monday, August 14, 2023 • End: Friday, November 3, 2023 • \$25
 To sign up visit the Lifestyles Desk or call 760.345.4349 ext. 2120



2024 SCSCH CONCERT SERIES

**JANUARY 6TH | 7:00PM | \$30
TINA TURNER TRIBUTE**

**FEBRUARY. 3RD | 7:00PM | \$30
ROD STEWART TRIBUTE**

**MARCH 1ST | 7:00PM | \$30
NEIL DIAMOND DONNA SUMMER &
DIANA ROSS TRIBUTE**

**APRIL 7TH | 7:00PM | FREE
CREDENCE CLEARWATER REVIVAL TRIBUTE**

**OCTOBER 27TH | 7:00PM | FREE
FRANKIE VALLI TRIBUTE**

**TICKETS GO ON SALE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1ST, 2023
WWW.SCSZCA.COM/TICKETS**

**DAVEY'S
LOCKER**
WHALE WATCHING

SAVE THE DATE
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2024

TRIP RANGES FROM 2 - 2.5 HOURS
MORE INFORMATION COMING IN NOVEMBER, STAY TUNED!

Sun City Shadow Hills
Health Expo
Saturday, October 7th, 2023

Health EXPO

**10 AM
UNTIL
1 PM**

Complimentary
LIGHT BREAKFAST, COFFEE
& REFRESHMENTS

all welcome!
FREE Community
Event!

Flu Shot Clinic
provided by
Desert Oasis
Healthcare

Montecito Clubhouse
80814 Sun City Blvd, Indio, CA 92203

Event Sponsors

DESERT OASIS HEALTHCARE
United Healthcare
Emily Gutierrez Insurance Agency Indio, CA (760) 898-4225
Vie's AIR
STAT Urgent and Primary Care

Important Talk from
Custom Care Solutions 700-469-4633
In Conference area @ 11 AM
EISENHOWER MEDICAL CENTER
Health Care As It Should Be
FIL
Alberston

FREE RAFFLE
for
DOOR PRIZES
Complimentary
Health
Screenings &
Blood Pressure
Checks!



HELLO NEW RESIDENTS...WELCOME TO SCSH!
Are you interested?

You are invited to a new resident gathering on October 20 at 6:30 pm. There will be some seasoned residents along with new residents. We will have a short presentation on some things offered here at SCSH that you may not be aware of and were not discussed at the orientation. For example: How to get into clubs, what items you can check out at the clubhouses and all the ins and outs of being a resident here. You will have the opportunity to ask questions regarding clubs, committees, etc. There will also be an opportunity to learn how to register and sign up for various activities and events held here at SCSH.

We will be serving ice cream, coffee, lemonade, and water.

It will be a fun time meeting new people and enjoying some fun ice breaker activities!

Please RSVP by October 13 to:

Stacy Boeskin (562)322-0985 boeskinstacy@yahoo.com or
Patrice Honorof (951)544-7755 pthonorof@gmail.com

Sun City Shadow Hills®


FASHION ISLAND

NEWPORT BEACH, CALIFORNIA

Monday, December 11, 2023 | \$35.00
 Price includes transportation and snacks on bus. Lunch on your own

Stores you will find to shop at are
 Nordstrom, Bloomingdales, Macy's and more.

Bus will depart the Montecito Clubhouse at 9 AM.
 Bus will return to the Montecito Clubhouse approximately 7 PM.
 Sign up starts: Monday, September 11, 2023
 Guest Sign up: Monday, September 18, 2023
 Sign ups End: Friday, December 1, 2023



Sun City Shadow Hills®

GAMES PLUS CLUB



BINGO

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2023
 MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE BALLROOM

SALE OF BINGO CARDS: 5:30 PM
GAMES START: 6:30 PM


PAPER SELLS FOR \$5 FOR 10 GAMES.
 TWO SPECIAL GAMES CAN BE PURCHASED FOR \$3.
 CASH ONLY, AND SMALL BILLS ARE APPRECIATED.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
 PAT DISALVO AT (310) 433-0714

Sun City Shadow Hills®

THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT CLUB

Sir Laffs-A-Lot's Comedy Night



Starring Comedians from the Top Late Night Shows

Hilarious New Shows Every Month Rated "R" Due to Possible Adult Content

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 • 7:00 pm
Reserved Seating • Tickets on Sale October 2

Tickets: \$12 in Advance / \$14 at the Door (If Available)
 Tickets Are Non-Refundable
 Checks/Visa/MasterCard/Discover/AMEX

Contact the Sun City Shadow Hills Lifestyle Desk for Tickets
 80888 Sun City Blvd • Indio CA 92203 • (760) 345-4349 Ext. 2120



TUTTA BELLA VINO

Saturday, October 21st 7pm
Montecito Clubhouse Ballroom

Join us to experience the
 2022 American Winery of the Year
Hope Family Wines

\$25 per person, \$28 non-resident guests
 Renewal of your membership fee of \$15 is required for this event.
 First timers may attend once without a membership.
 Registration flyers will be available at the at the Montecito Clubhouse &
 Tutta Bella web-page www.scszca.com on September 15th.
 Registration Deadline: October 14th or until sold out
 For more info: tuttabellavino@gmail.com

SCSH LIVELY LINERS CLUB
WELCOME FALL MONTHLY DANCE



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

COSTUMES OPTIONAL

SUNDAY - OCT 22, 2023 - 6:00 – 8:30 PM

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS & BEVERAGE

CALL KATY IF ANY QUESTIONS – 760/610-5710



Charity Event for Coachella Valley Foster Kids

Food Silent Auction
Music Fun

Funday Fundraiser to Benefit Coachella Valley Foster Kids
Tuesday, November 14
Sign in starts at 10 am with golf starting at 11 am

Come enjoy a fun day of mini golf, food, music and a silent auction all to help foster kids in our community. All the fun will take place right here at SCSH putting course! 100% of the proceeds will go directly to Coachella Valley Foster Kids. It is non profit organization with no paid staff. All the money raised will go directly to providing resources to kids in the foster care system in our valley!

- Mini Golf (putting course) and lunch (hot dogs, bratwurst, chips, potato salad and drink)- \$25

If you don't want to golf you can sponsor a hole for \$100. You can gather a few of your friends to sponsor one together. We can put your names at that hole and you can even set up a table with water, a hole in one contest or whatever. It's your hole for the day....have fun with it!

- We will be holding a silent auction with fabulous items!

To sign up to golf, donate, sponsor a hole or volunteer contact:


Stacy Boeskin @ 562 322-0985 or boeskinstacy@yahoo.com
Linda Aasen @ 651 341-4776 or laasen3730@aol.com

Donations can include anything (homemade crafts like jewelry, quilts, ceramics, painting)... it could also include unused gift cards, bottles of wine, gifts you received but never used or anything ...smaller items will be bundled into baskets and auctioned off. We can also use some food sponsors. Example: you can sponsor the hot dog rolls, or combine forces with friends to sponsor the soft drinks, paper products and etc.

If you can't make golf please come by and bid on our silent auction!

YOU CAN'T SAY NO TO THE KIDS

SCSH Performing Arts Club presents



DEATHTRAP

by Ira Levin


The longest running comedy thriller on Broadway!

A once famous writer of stage thrillers is trying to regain his glory days. A classic murder thriller – that will keep you on the edge of your seat!

Director – Linda Bostjanick
Producer – Robin Adelman

November 16, 17 and 18, 2023 at 7:00 pm
November 19, 2023 at 2:00 pm
Montecito Clubhouse Ballroom

Purchase tickets online
at scshca.com/tickets/



All tickets reserved seating – \$20.00

Assistance for online ticket sales – Montecito Clubhouse Lobby
Monday, October 16 and 23, 2023 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. or at the Lifestyle Desk, anytime it is open

Deathtrap is presented by special arrangement with Broadway Licensing, LLC, servicing the Dramatists Play Service collection. (www.dramatists.com)

SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS
SINGERS PRESENTS

HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

DECEMBER 17, 2023 @ 2PM
THE MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE

TICKETS AVAILABLE STARTING
NOVEMBER 1, 2023

ADMISSION
\$1500
Check or Credit Card Accepted

"GOODIES" FOLLOWING THE CONCERT!

For club information contact Alan Voss (209) 768-9393




Bonjour!

L'Expérience Française

(The French Experience)

Bonjour! We are pleased to invite you to join the new SCSH French Club, *L'Expérience Française*. If you're interested in learning French, improving your French language skills, and making new friends, please join us. *À bientôt!*

Any questions? Please call:
Barbara Guiffre at (315) 868-3854



You are invited to join **Vib Verma's MEDITATION OVER MEDICATION CLUB**

**Live a Balanced and Fulfilled Life!
Reduce Stress, Anger and Anxiety**

We are made of mind and matter. To stay fit and healthy we exercise and eat well, but we don't exercise or nourish our mind. As a result, we tend to react to whatever manifests in our daily life.

Meditation trains the mind to not react to everything.

- You will learn how to reduce anger, stress, and anxiety.
- You will learn to be positive and happy.

Science has shown that a negative mind can cause hypertension, insomnia, and other illnesses. With the right **meditation** practice you can feel better and possibly reduce the dependence on some medications.


We meet Mondays at 10:00 AM
Santa Rosa Clubhouse / Pismo Newport Room

Call Camille Brownson for more information:
760-673-6694 or camillebrownson@gmail.com

Join us for Worship!

Come as you are and grow closer to Christ as you hear the inspirational messages from our experienced Bible teaching pastor!

- ❖ Inter-denominational
- ❖ Prayer support
- ❖ Caring and friendly members



MOUNTAIN VIEW CHURCH

10AM Sundays
at the Montecito Clubhouse, Capistrano Room

Contact:
Ed Brown 760-908-3110 pastored@cox.net
Earl McDaniel 949-675-8714 earlmcDaniel@rocketmail.com




Join in the fun!

The Pomettes of Sun City Shadow Hills is a multi-talented, spirited, and committed pom (dance) team whose members are seniors (age 55+) residing in Sun City Shadow Hills. Our pom team and its supporters are committed to excellence in performance, providing entertainment at a variety of events throughout the Valley.

We do this with a spirit of integrity and service, to bring fun and inspiration to all. We enjoy staying fit and working together to inspire an active lifestyle.

New members may join the Performance Team or become a Supporting (non-performing) Member.

We welcome newcomers every Monday at our team practice at 5 pm in the Montecito Clubhouse Fitness Center dance studio.

We come in all shapes and sizes and welcome all skill levels since everyone doesn't have to perform!

Learn more by focusing your phone camera on one of the QR codes below.
(Click the yellow link that appears on screen)



Become a Facebook Fan



Membership Application
(for both Performance Team and Supporting Members)



View the Website

Contact pomettes.scsch@gmail.com for more information or if you'd like us to perform at your event.



GOLF OPERATIONS

PHIL VIGIL | GENERAL MANAGER, SHADOW HILLS GOLF CLUB

Fall is here! Another summer has come and gone, and we weathered Tropical Storm Hilary. We want to thank our SCSH residents, the Golf Advisory Committee, HOA management and staff, and the SCSH Board for all their support through the damage recovery. We know that the tropical storm wreaked havoc on the valley and are pleased that we made it through together.

We are well into our overseeding season as the golf course maintenance team transitions both the North and South Courses to seasonal ryegrass turf. Please see the overseed closure dates below.

Have you joined us in Shadows Restaurant yet for our amazing daily breakfast, lunch, or dinner specials? How about our nightly themed events? Do not forget the wonderful sandwiches and salads at the Montecito Café. Whatever your desire, let Chef John and his culinary team treat you to a delicious meal. Stop by and enjoy the new seasonal menus and exciting specials that Shadows Restaurant has to offer.

Overseed Closures

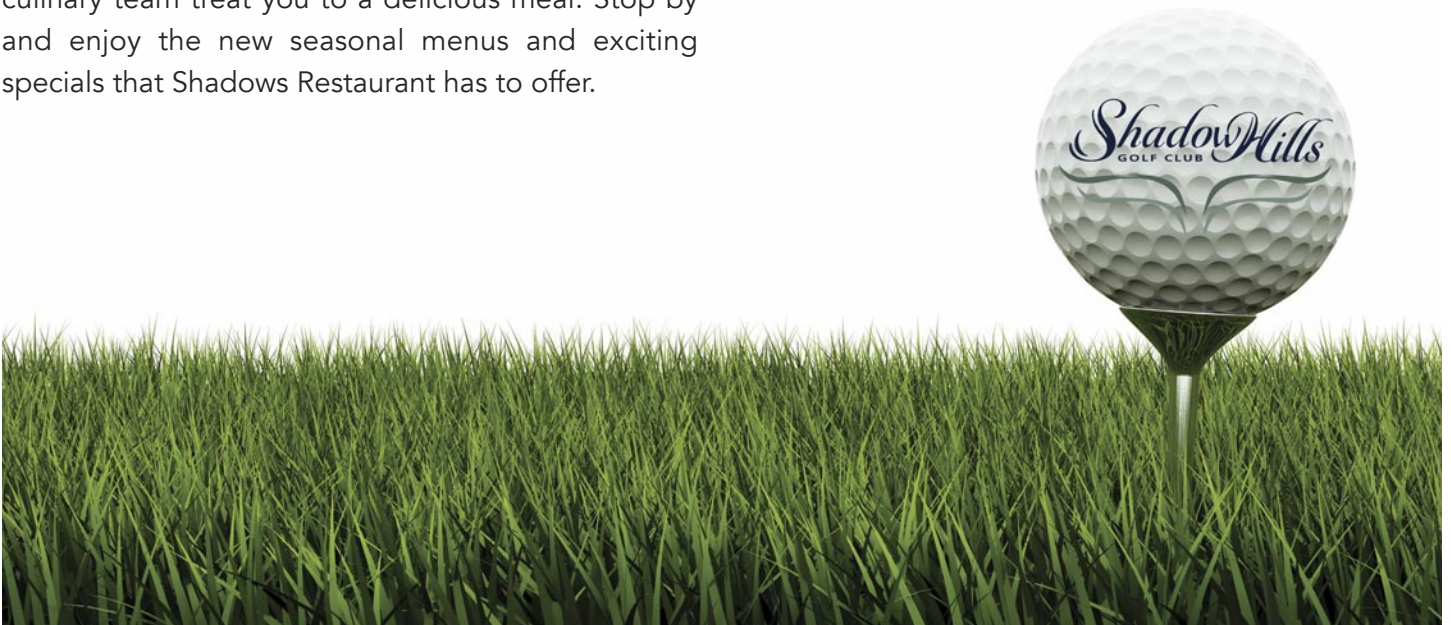
- SOUTH COURSE | October 16 – November 9
- NORTH COURSE | November 13 – December 7

The South Course driving range will close when the golf shop closes. All players must register in the golf shop prior to their closing time.

Reminder: "After hours" golf when the golf shop is closed is not permitted.

As always, stay tuned to our weekly email blasts, postings to Facebook through "The Shadows Golf Club" and "The Shadows Restaurant," and our mobile app for upcoming events, hours of operation, and other important information.

Contact the author at pvigil@troon.com.





FOOD & BEVERAGE

MANUEL GUADARRAMA | FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

Welcome back, snowbirds!

It seems like yesterday we were saying goodbye, and now we are at the beginning of a new season. Many things have changed since you've been gone. Please sign up for the weekly eblast at www.scszca.com/emailsingup and follow us on Facebook at The Shadows Restaurant for up-to-date information.

This month, join us at Shadows and the Shadows Terrace (former Snack Bar) for special events. On Thursday, October 12, join us at the Shadows Terrace for **Tacos on the Terrace** from 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Then on Sunday, October 29, join us for a **Concert on the Greens**. Please remember to bring cash as this is a cash-only event. Then on Tuesday, October 31, join us at Shadows for **Mummy Dogs, Halloween Mini Pizzas, and a Costume Contest** from 4 – 6 pm. Also, remember we are now open on Mondays for **Football Mondays** from 4 – 8 pm. Kitchen service ends at 7 pm, but drink specials continue until 8 pm.

Thank you for your continued support.

Contact the author at jguadarrama@troon.com.

Shadows Restaurant

(760) 772-4342

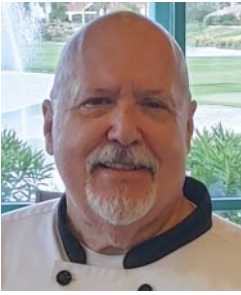
Monday: 4 – 8 pm

*(Tailgate Menu Only
Kitchen Service Ends at 7 pm)*

Tuesday – Sunday: 8 am – 7 pm

Happy Hour: 2 – 5 pm





CHEF'S CORNER

CHEF JOHN DUTRA | EXECUTIVE CHEF

Fall is upon us, and the harvest moon comes that time of year when things roasting in the oven feel like home to me. Raising our daughters, some of my fondest memories were in the fall. The girls were back in school, there was a chill in the air, and the leaves were falling outside. I looked forward to sitting down for a great dinner and listening to our girls share their stories of the day.

One of my favorite things was slow cooking something in the oven for hours that would make the house smell fantastic and entice our senses. Anticipation would build throughout the day, and all of us would look forward to sitting down for a great meal. One of my favorite dishes, which we serve at Shadows restaurant, is braised short ribs.

I slow cook them with wine and fresh herbs for hours to create a fall-off-the-bone, flavorful experience. I prefer short ribs on the bone rather than boneless. They tend to be more tender and have a richer flavor. But boneless short ribs will work, too. Here is my recipe for braised short ribs. Happy (slow) cooking!

Contact the author at jdutra@troon.com.



Braised Short Ribs

6–9 whole bone-in short ribs (boneless will work)

1 onion, medium dice

4 carrots, medium dice

flour for dredging

1 cup decent Cabernet or Pinot Noir

4 tablespoons tomato paste

2 to 3 cups beef broth or stock

4 sprigs fresh thyme

1 sprig rosemary

3 cloves garlic

salt and pepper to taste

- Season your dredging flour with salt and pepper.
- Lightly season the short ribs, then dredge in the flour, being sure to shake off the excess.
- In a Dutch oven, heat a few tablespoons of oil, and once hot sear the short ribs on all sides. Remove short ribs and set aside.

- Sauté the onions and carrots in the same pot until just softened. Smash the garlic, add it to the mixture and cook an additional minute.
- Add the wine to deglaze the pot then add the tomato paste and incorporate.
- Add the short ribs back into the pot and add the beef broth until the liquid is halfway up the ribs. Do not cover them with liquid. Season to taste.
- Throw the sprigs of thyme and rosemary on top, cover, and place in the oven.
- Bake at 325 degrees for an hour, then reduce to 300 degrees and cook for four to five hours.

Hints: When choosing short ribs, look for a nice red color with some marbling, but not too much as short ribs are fatty in nature. Remove the pan from the oven and let rest out of the oven for 15–25 minutes. Skim any fat that has formed on the top of the sauce. My favorite way to serve the short ribs is with mashed potatoes and pan gravy poured on top.

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October 2023

LEGEND

- MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE
- SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE
- HOA OFFICE
- SHADOW HILLS GOLF CLUB

- AMP – Amphitheater
- AS – Aerobic Studio
- BCM – Bocce Courts MC
- BCS – Bocce Courts SRC
- BH – Back Half Ballroom
- BR – Ballroom
- BW – Breezeway
- CAM – Cambria
- CAP – Capistrano
- CL – Clubhouse Lobby
- COA – Coachella
- DP1 – Phase 1 Dog Park
- DP3 – Phase 3 Dog Park
- FC – Fitness Center
- FH – Front Half Ballroom
- GR – Green Room
- KSK – Kiosk
- LJ – La Jolla
- MAR – Marisol
- MC – Montecito Clubhouse
- MIR – Mirada
- MON – Monterey
- NPT – Newport
- OS – Offsite
- OUT – Outdoor Event
- PAC – Pacifica
- PAT – Patio by Capistrano
- PC – Putting Course
- PIS – Pismo
- PRK – Parking Lot
- SC – Sports Court
- SEL – Santa Rosa Events Lawn
- SGC – South Golf Course
- SHA – Shadows Restaurant
- SRC – Santa Rosa Clubhouse
- SRP – Santa Rosa Patio
- SY – Santa Ynez
- SY1 – Santa Ynez I
- SY2 – Santa Ynez II
- TBD – To Be Decided
- TC – Tennis Court
- WSP – West Side Patio

Sign up or purchase tickets to Lifestyle events at www.scschca.com/tickets. For more information, contact the Lifestyle Desk at 760-345-4349 x 2120.



FITNESS UPDATE

AMBER GALINDO | FITNESS DIRECTOR



Happy October! This Breast Cancer Awareness Month, dedicated to helping educate everyone about early detection, screening, and supporting those affected by the disease plus helping to raise funds for research and treatment.

Breast cancer can affect both men and women, although it is more common among women. Regular breast self-exams, clinical breast exams, and mammograms are essential for early detection.

This month serves as a reminder to support individuals who are affected by breast cancer. And it provides a platform for survivors to share their journeys and stories, offering hope and inspiration to others facing a similar diagnosis.

Join us in the amphitheater on October 12 at 5:30 pm to Paint SCSH Pink. During this event, we will walk 1.5 miles along Sun City Boulevard. We will also be honoring survivors (including those currently battling the disease) and remembering our loved ones whose journeys were cut short by cancer.

Together, we will promote cancer awareness and raise much needed funds for the Desert Cancer Foundation. Your support will help provide individuals who need financial assistance with cancer care and treatment. Together we will help make significant strides in the fight against cancer.

For more information, and to register for this event, please visit scszca.com/fitness.

Contact the author at amber.galindo@associa.us.



Paint SCSH Pink

October 12th, 2023

WHAT TO EXPECT:

First, be ready for an exciting and inspiring evening!

5:30PM – Refreshments & Entertainment in the amphitheater.

6:00PM – Desert Cancer Foundation Intro.

6:15 PM – Survivors & Current Fighters will be invited to stand and lead the walk. (See map attached)

7:00PM – Upon the return of walkers we will honor and remember the individuals who have been faced with cancer.

We recommend wearing comfortable attire and sneakers. Let's keep it safe and fun!

We encourage everyone to wear **PINK!**
The more **Pink** the better!

We will honor our survivors, including those currently battling the disease and remember our loved ones whose journeys were cut short by cancer. Together, we will celebrate, shout out, cheer, shed tears, and we will step up for cancer awareness and raise funds for cancer care.

PAINT SCSH PINK

BREAST CANCER TWILIGHT WALK

OCTOBER 12TH • 5:30PM

PAINT SCSH PINK IS A 1.5 MILE WALK ALONG SUN CITY BOULEVARD TO HELP RAISE AWARENESS FOR BREAST CANCER AND RAISE MUCH NEEDED FUNDS FOR THE DESERT CANCER FOUNDATION.

YOUR SUPPORT WILL HELP PROVIDE INDIVIDUALS WHO NEED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE WITH CANCER CARE AND TREATMENT.



To register visit scshca.com/fitness beginning Sep 1, 2023 @ 8:00am - Sep 15, 2023.
A free T-shirt will be given to the first 100 residents to register.
T-shirts will only be available for pick up on October 9 through October 12 by 4 PM.

Paint SCSH Pink

October 12th, 2023

Donations:

Sun City Shadow Hills has partnered with Paint El Paseo Pink to raise funds and help raise awareness for breast cancer. All donations will benefit the Desert Cancer Foundation.

Your support and all funds raised will help provide Coachella valley residents in need of financial assistance with cancer care and treatment.

Scan the QR code to donate to the Desert Cancer Foundation via the Sun City Shadow Hills Team on the Paint El Paseo Pink site.



Route Map

Walk Begins at Montecito Fitness Center
Approximately 1.5 Miles



PAINT SCSH PINK
BREAST CANCER TWILIGHT WALK

FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 9:00 AM Zumba; Yvette (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Cheryl (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Reformer Pilates; Cheryl (\$17)
- 2:00 PM Lively Liners (*Beginner*)
- 5:00 PM Pomettes

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

- 8:00 AM Circuit; Cheryl (\$6)
- 9:00 AM Total Body Strength; Cheryl (\$6)

TUESDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 9:00 AM Barre; Eliezer (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Cheryl (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Eliezer (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Reformer Pilates I-II; Eliezer (\$17)
- 1:00 PM Lively Liners (*Beginner Review*)

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

- 9:00 AM Essentrics Stretch & Tone; Melinda (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Yoga; Melinda (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Water Yoga; Melinda (\$6)
- 11:15 AM Total Body Pump; Jessica (*Free*)

WEDNESDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 8:00 AM Silver Fit; Cheryl (*Free*)
- 9:00 AM Balance & Stretch; Cheryl (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Body Toning; Cheryl (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Vinyasa Yoga Level I-II; Leesann (\$6)
- 1:00 PM Lively Liners (*Intermediate*)
- 3:00 PM Beginning Boxing; Andrew (*Free*)
- 5:00 PM Pomettes

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

- 7:30 AM Zumba; Rosy (\$6)

THURSDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 8:00 AM Brazilian Fusion; Eliezer (\$6)
- 9:00 AM Total Body Pump; Jessica (Free)
- 10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Eliezer (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Cheryl (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Reformer Pilates I-II; Eliezer (\$17)
- 1:00 PM Thera Band; Dr. Eric (Free)
- 5:00 PM Lively Liners (Intermediate Review)

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

- 9:00 AM Water Yoga; Melinda (\$6)
- 9:00 AM Zumba; Yvette (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Essentrics Stretch & Tone; Melinda (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Chair Yoga; Melinda (\$6)

FRIDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 8:00 AM Dance & Tone; Rosy (\$6)
- 9:00 AM Zumba; Rosy (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Beginning Ballet; Eliezer (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Cheryl (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Mat Pilates; Eliezer (\$6)
- 12:00 PM Stretch; Eliezer (\$6)

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

- 8:00 AM Silver Fit; Cheryl (Free)
- 9:00 AM Vinyasa Yoga Level I-II; Leesann (\$6)
- 10:00 AM Meditation; Leesann (\$6)
- 11:00 AM Low Impact Cardio; Mirca (Free)

SATURDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

- 9:00 AM Open Line Dancing

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please check www.scszca.com/fitness for updated information and class cancellations.

Rules and Procedures: Members must check in for class at the front desk.

Members will be allowed to check in no more than 10 minutes prior to a class. All classes start on time.

No late entries. Please silence all cell phones during class.

Lively Liners and Pomettes classes require Chartered Club membership.

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Bocce Buddies

Come and meet a nice group of residents who enjoy the game. It does not matter if you have played before, we can teach you how to play.

We play bocce at the Montecito Clubhouse. Log on to scshca.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. 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 949-500-0568.



Bowlers Club

Hello Sun City Shadow Hills Bowlers and potential bowlers!

It is official! Bowling is about to begin for our 2023-2024 season. We will start again on Friday, October 13, 2023. The full bowling "year" runs 23 weeks and concludes in April 2024. We bowl three games starting at 10 AM every Friday (day after Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's excluded) at Fantasy Springs Bowling Alley.

Have you wanted to pick up a bowling ball, but just haven't gotten around to it, or never had the opportunity? You don't have to be a seasoned bowler to join our bowling league. If you would like to learn, have an interest in refreshing old skills or just want to make new friends, come try us out! We always need subs, so you might consider a soft entry into the world of SCSH bowling. We are organizing our teams now, so we will be ready to "roll" on October 13. Contact one of the people below at: scshbowling@gmail.com to let us know of your interest.

Karen Hargrave, President (818-929-2235)

Peggy Mathieson, Vice President

Dana Barbour, Secretary/Treasurer (562-201-3444)



Bridge Club

The weather is cooling, but the Bridge Club activities are heating up. Boot Camp 1 will begin Wednesday, October 11 and extend through Wednesday, November 15; time is 9:15 am to 11:45 am. There are many reservations at this time, so please contact Ron Gauny at 949-303-8426 or Ronald.Gauny@verizon.net to check for space available. Class is \$20 for the six classes. Classes are designed for beginner players and those who want to freshen their skills. During this time the Wednesday games are suspended so the Capistrano Room can be used for the Boot Camp classes. Thursday games will continue beginning at 6:15 pm, and Saturday games at 9:45 am, both in the Capistrano room.

We will soon enjoy the return of many winter residents. We welcome them back to the tables and look forward to seeing our winter friends. For general information about the SCSH Bridge Club, contact club president Bev Teel at bevteel125@gmail.com.



Bunco

For those who have never attended or never played, don't worry! There is room for all, and no reservations are required. You can join the club the day you play. The game can be learned in a matter of minutes so it's okay to show up with no knowledge of the game.

Here is our 2023 schedule: October 17, November 28, December 12. Feel free to bring what you want to drink. Bunco starts at 7 pm. Please arrive a few minutes early to sign in.

If you have any questions, contact Stacy Boeskin at scshbunco@yahoo.com or call 562 322-0985.



Camera Club

The Camera Club will kick off the new season with our main meeting on November 1, at 3 pm in the Monterey Room of the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. All

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members and prospective members are encouraged to join us.

Over the summer, club members are invited to join in on twice-monthly Zoom meetings on the first and third Wednesdays. These sessions are very informal and are designed to "hang out and talk photography."

Fall brings fall colors which leads to great photo opportunities. Capturing these images on a camera or your phone is a great way to enjoy and share this wonderful season.

If you have an interest in photography, whether as a complete novice or an advanced practitioner, why not consider joining our club. It doesn't matter what your level of experience, or what type of camera, we have something to offer you. Check out our club website at scshcameraclub.com.



"Tiger Swallowtail" by Neil Miller



Ceramics Club

Come and join us any Tuesday or Friday morning from 9 am – noon in the Cambria Room. We are more than happy to help you release your creativity to make lovely pieces of ceramics.

Email us at scshceramics@hotmail.com for more information.

From the whimsical to the abstract with a flower vase in-between. Our artist, Paula Nadel expresses her creativity.

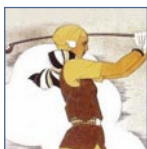


Classic Movie Club

The Classic Movie Club will present showings of Oscar-winning films every other Friday starting at 4 pm in the Santa Rosa Clubhouse's Monterey Room. There will be time for socializing, and those attending will be able to take their picture holding a real Oscar.

Josh Kanin, co-host of the club's film series, grew up in a prominent Hollywood show business family – parents Fay and Michael Kanin and uncle and aunt Garson Kanin and Ruth Gordon – all of whom were Oscar and Emmy Award-winning screenwriters, directors, and actors for over 50 years. Josh is a noted film historian from Los Angeles, and since 1973 has been (and still is) a college professor of film studies. Bill Hooper, co-host with Josh, is a local Realtor who introduced him to the Coachella Valley and who is a classic movie fan.

The club is pleased and proud to provide our community with free, quality entertainment on an ongoing basis. The screening events are open to all SCSH residents, and no club membership is required to attend them. If you love classic movies, please join us. We would love to meet you. For more information, call either Josh Kanin (310-980-0747) or Bill Hooper (310-293-9597).



Classy Niners

Happy fall everyone!

Through September 15, you will have the choice to play 9 or 18 holes on Tuesday at 7 am and Friday at 6:30 am. We will continue to have random pairings on Tuesdays and if you choose, pick a friend to play with on Fridays. The deadline for Tuesday play is Saturday at 5 pm. In the summer, every fourth Friday is an away game from SCSH.

Our Board has been busy planning fun things for the coming season. And, as always, volunteers are still needed for special events coming up. Join a fun group of ladies and meet new friends.

Our new website is up and running and turned out beautiful! Thanks to Denise Wolsieffer and her team for all their outstanding efforts. Please check it out at www.shclassy9ers.com.

New Members are welcome to join at any time during the year. We accept all skill levels. New members are given a short orientation and assigned a mentor for a smooth transition into our club. Prospective members may play one time as a guest. Please contact Membership Chair, Barb Mason at Barb90713@gmail.com or phone 562-477-3165 for more information.

Stay healthy and safe everyone!



Friday Away Golf at Classic Club



Community Singers



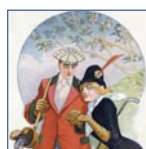
October!!! WOW, where is the year going.

Singers wants to let you know, you still have some time to join us to sing in our Holiday Concert, *Home for the Holiday's*.

Our first gathering was on Monday, September 26, but you can still get in on the fun, if you are able to attend on Monday, October 2, or as late as Monday, October 9. That's the cutoff date!

So, warm up your pipes. We meet in the back half of the Montecito Ballroom, on Mondays:

- 3:00 – 4:15 pm: Tenors & Basses
- 4:15 – 5:00 pm: Altos & Sopranos
- 5:00 – 6:30 pm: All vocal parts



Couples Golf

The schedule for the 2023/2024 Couples Golf season appears on our website which can be accessed at www.shcouples.com. There you will find everything you need to know including an application form that can be printed along with instructions for completion and membership payment. Dues will remain unchanged at \$20/person or \$40/couple. Play begins November 12, 2023.

Mark your calendars for November 4, 2023, at 4 pm in the Newport/Pismo rooms at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. We will have a short General Meeting and

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Welcome Back Social with potluck appetizers. Some beer, wine, and soft drinks will be provided but feel free to bring your own beverage (no hard alcohol), and we ask that everyone bring their favorite hors d'oeuvre to share. It will be a perfect opportunity to meet old friends and make new acquaintances.

We are always looking for new members, and don't let our name fool you. We have several single members and all couples, or single players are welcome. We match you up with other golfers so you can enjoy the fun and camaraderie of our group.

If you have any questions on the website or the Welcome Back Social, please contact Gerry Read at scshcouplesgolf@gmail.com.

If you have any questions on the webpage or the Welcome Back Social, please contact Rob Quilley at scshcouplesgolf@gmail.com.



Creative Arts

Welcome back everyone! It was a long, hot summer but we made it through and we're ready for cooler weather and the return of our friends. We have another great year planned for our members beginning with our first class in late October. Five well-known local instructors offering a wonderful variety of classes including pastel, watercolor, oil, and acrylic are scheduled throughout the season. Look for flyers and posters for the classes in both clubhouses. For questions regarding classes please contact Suzy Voss at suzy.gofly@yahoo.com.

If you're an artist or have always wanted to try your hand at painting stop by the Cambria/Miranda art room in the Montecito Clubhouse during studio time, Monday and Thursday mornings 9 am to 12 pm, and see what's going on. The membership fee is \$15/year due in January and we'd love to have you join us.

While you're in the clubhouse stop by the Art Wall and check out the beautiful paintings done by longtime members Daryl and Linda Wolf.

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



Desert Gardeners

Our club provides opportunities for expanding your gardening knowledge and skills. We meet on the **second Wednesday** of the month from **November to April starting at 3:30 pm**. 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.scsdesertgardeners.com for the latest news on our club activities and a wealth of gardening resources, as well as membership information.



At home in the desert



Desert Life

Desert Life meets the third Tuesday each month except for June, July, and August. Attend one luncheon without paying the membership fee! For more Information – contact Membership Chairperson, Sue McCollum, at 760-285-0915.

OCTOBER LUNCHEON

DATE | October 17, 2023, 11:30 am to 2 pm

LOCATION | Heritage Palms Clubhouse

PROGRAM | Nancie Wingo, Indian Wells Tennis Gardens 2024 BNP Paribas Events

CHARITY FOR THE MONTH | The Eisenhower Lucy Curci Cancer Center is in need of new blankets and socks! You may also donate by check payable directly to the Lucy Curci Cancer Center. *No cash or gift cards!*
MAIN MENU | Chicken Florentine
VEGGIE OPTION | Kale Salad
DESSERT | Chocolate Cake
PRICE | \$32. Checks must be in the mail slot at the Montecito by October 10. Includes seven tickets for door prize drawings. *Please drop checks ASAP and don't wait for the deadline!*



French Club

Bonjour et Bienvenue! You are welcome to join SCSH's French Club: *L'Expérience Française* to learn French, improve your language skills and make new friends!

French food ("*la nourriture française*") was the topic presented at the August 17 class. Students learned the French names for a variety of fruit. They also learned what the favorite dishes ("*les plats français préférés*") are for people in France. Among the favorites are the national dish of France, *le pot au feu* ("the pot in the fire") which consists of white beans baked with meat or sausages and vegetables; "*le cassoulet*" which is a slow simmered stew of sausages, duck confit, pork and white beans; and "*le hachis Parmentier*" (shepherds pie) which is made of pot roast chopped up, covered with mashed potatoes and cheese and baked. Others include well-known dishes such as raclette, fondue, crêpes, boeuf à la Bourguignonne, steak frites, galettes, tartiflette, choucroute garni and vol au vent. Students also learned the origins of these mouth watering dishes. *Bon appétit!*

The next class is scheduled for Thursday, September 21 from 2-3 pm in the Monterey room at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. October classes will be held on Thursday, October 12 and Thursday, October 19 at the same time and location.

Interested in joining us? Please contact instructor Barbara Guiffre at 315-868-3854 or at bmguiffre@yahoo.com.



French students gather after class with their instructor Barbara Guiffre

The French have many famous quotes. Among them is one: "*La vie est un beau rêve, mais ne vous réveillez pas!*" (Life is a beautiful dream, but don't wake up!)



Games Plus

Games Plus was formed to play various games.

BINGO | Bingo will resume on October 6. Doors open at the Montecito Clubhouse at 5:30 pm, with games starting at 6:30 pm. No inflation here. Paper still sells for \$5 for 10 games. Two special games can be purchased for \$3. You must be 18 years old to play. *Cash only and small bills are appreciated.*

SCRABBLE/OTHER GAMES | Scrabble is held on Mondays of each week at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse from 1 pm to 3:30 pm. Contact Barbara Irwin at scrabble731@yahoo.com to sign up to play.

MEXICAN TRAIN & RUMMIKUB | Mexican Train and Rummikub is played the first and third Wednesday of the month from 1:30 pm to 5 pm at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. Cathy Nielsen must be contacted if you plan to play. Her email is mcathynielsen@gmail.com or phone at 760-522-3092.

HAND & FOOT | Hand & Foot gets together on Thursdays at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. Please arrive at 12:15 pm to play at 12:30 pm. Please contact Kathy Reid at 760-469-2335 if you plan to play.

CANASTA | Canasta is played on Fridays at the Montecito Clubhouse from 1 to 4 pm. All levels of

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players are welcome. We have added a Samba group if you like this form of Canasta. Please contact Joyce Cain at 561-249- 1382 if you have any questions.

Happy Gaming!



Genealogy Club

Name Changes

People's names change all the time. One common myth is that immigrants arriving at Ellis Island in New York had their names changed by some uncaring immigration agent simply because of language barriers. And, hence, the family genealogist was forever cursed trying to untangle the mess of records with different spellings of the family surname.

Well, there are lots of reasons that folks change their names, and the Ellis Island myth is exactly that – a myth.

So why do folks change their names?

1. They may not like their birth name. Sometimes parents choose Christian names that defy logic or common sense.
2. They are trying to create a new identity. Maybe the immigrant father left a wife and family in the old country to marry again in America. Maybe the person was trying to evade a criminal past.

In the case of many Germans in North America, after WWI, it was not popular to have a German surname so a change could help. WWII may have been worse in terms of national prejudice for jobs and opportunities. This was true of other nationalities as well.

For the genealogist, tracking name changes over time is merely part of the job. Enjoy!



Gin Rummy

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

If you play Gin Rummy or would like to learn, please contact Marie DeVito at 312-909-0446. We are a fun group, and all are welcome.



Happy Travelers

If you love to travel, come find out about the Happy Travelers Club! We invite you to join us in exploring a variety of travel experiences with like-minded members of our community. You will have the opportunity to make new friends and gain valuable information for planning memorable travel adventures.

Please visit our website at SCSHHappyTravelers.com for more information about upcoming meetings, membership, and trip offers.

If you have questions, please send us an email at SCSHHappyTravelers@gmail.com.



Hiking Club



A brand-new hiking season is just around the corner, with a great list of planned hikes from November through March. Join us to explore our beautiful desert terrain and meet new friends. We welcome new and returning hikers. Hikes have been planned for all levels from easy to strenuous. Visit our website at www.scszca.com/hiking for the complete list of hikes. Hikers should have some previous hiking experience and will be asked to assess their ability prior to their

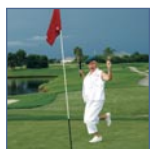
first hike. New members – please read the welcome letter on our website and contact Marjorie Babuik at marjoriebabuik1@mymts.net to register your interest to be added to the list of hikers.



Jewelry Club



The Jewelry Club is getting back into full swing after the summer break. We welcome all beginners and newcomers to come and see what we are doing, preparing for the holidays or gifts. The jewelry club meets every Wednesday from 1 – 3 pm in the Montecito Clubhouse. Hope that all current members were busy over the hot summer months! Snowbirds, email your creations and let's stay busy. See you soon!



Lady Putterers

Our Summer League has officially ended. Due to all the crazy weather we have been experiencing, the golf course may not be ready for us in early November. We will keep you updated.

All women of SCSH are invited to join Lady Putterers. We meet every Monday morning in the Capistrano Room at the Montecito Clubhouse. Absolutely no golf skills are required. Our club is a great way to have fun and make new friends. There are two sessions to choose from. First session check-in begins at 7:45 am,

play begins at 8 am. Second session check-in begins at 8:45 am, play begins at 9 am. All you need is a putter, a ball, \$2, and a desire to have a great time!

You are invited to try Lady Putterers once without paying the \$2 play fee or the \$20 annual membership dues.

Lady Putterers Welcome Back Tea Tuesday, October 24 10 a.m. Monticeto Ballroom



All SCSH women are invited to the Lady Putterers Welcome Back Tea to meet the new Board and find out all that is planned for the 2023–24 season.

Visit the Lady Putterers website at shputters.com for the latest information. You can also contact the Club President, Olga Kiena, 714-746-2111 or okiena@pobox.com.



Let's Meet and Eat

Happy autumn to all! Okay, we really don't have the gold, orange, and other lovely colors of fall, but we are so blessed to be living our "golden years" in SCSH!

Speaking of golden, we welcome back on October 8 our "five gold stars" band, The Zippers Trio! We love them!

We are thrilled to announce the newly formed band, **Radio Ready**, will be performing on November 8! Some of you will remember the band "New Sensations." The two fabulous lead singers are now members of Radio Ready! Sign-up forms will be available at 4:30 pm on October 8 in the Montecito rack across from the Lifestyles Desk.

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REMINDERS:

- We dine and party from 5 pm – 8 pm
- Bring food for 10.
- LMAE provides plates, cups, silverware, napkins, and an ice water station.
- You must have your \$10 annual membership dues paid.
- Each monthly dance is \$10 per person.
- Please place your form and check in the LMAE mail slot. If the slot is covered, it means we are sold out.
- No refunds or credit.

Questions? Please call Cherie at 760-953-6674 or Margo at 310-977-2720. Our "party central line" is always open. See you on the dance floor!



Lively Liners

"The one thing that can solve most of our problems is dancing." – James Brown

"We do not stop exercising because we grow old. We grow old because we stop exercising." – Kenneth Cooper

Come join us for dancing and exercising at the same time!

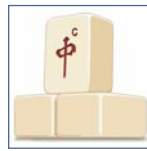
We are offering again a *free to all* Intro to Line Dancing every Monday from 1:30 – 2 pm at the Montecito Fitness Center. You can also take two free classes of one hour each on Mondays without becoming a member. Try us out!

Come join our friendly group and make new friends. We offer club members many classes each week along with a free monthly fun dance.

Our classes range from Beginning to Advanced. Please check the Montecito Fitness Center calendar or our website for the schedule.

There is Open Line Dancing every Saturday at 9 am at the Montecito Fitness Center.

Please visit our website at www.scschlivelyliners.com. For more information call Katy at 760-610-5710 or Melanie at 626-222-6044.



Mah Jongg

All of us in the Mah Jongg Club are looking forward to seeing everyone back from their vacations and summer homes away from the desert. We will be "cracking" up when we see you on the "dot" of 12:15 pm to start play every Wednesday in the Montecito Ballroom. We will try to "bam"boozle the players at the table until 3:15 pm. Snacks are available! If you have questions about joining the fun, contact our club president, Rochelle Asheroff at asheroff@sbcglobal.net. Everyone is welcome.



Meditation Over Medication



You are invited to join Vib Verma's Meditation Over Medication Club. Live a balanced and fulfilled life! Reduce Stress, anger, and anxiety.

We are made of mind and matter. To stay fit and healthy we exercise and eat well, but we don't exercise or nourish our mind. As a result, we tend to react to whatever manifests in our daily life.

Meditation trains the mind to not react to everything.

- You will learn how to reduce anger, stress, and anxiety.
- You will learn to be positive and happy.

Science has shown that a negative mind can cause hypertension, insomnia, and other illnesses. With the right meditation practice, you can feel better and possibly reduce the dependence on some medications.

We meet on Mondays at 10 am in the Santa Rosa Clubhouse, Pismo/Newport room. Call Camille Brownson for more information: 760-673-6694 or camillebrownson@gmail.com.



Men's Golf Club

Well, here it is – October – with our 2023-2024 SCSH Men's Golf Club schedule-of-play under way with another year of challenging and fun formats, plus an opportunity to say hello to old and new friends. For details of each week's play, go to our website (myshmgc.net).

By now most of our golfing snowbirds are back in town and ready to join the year-round members not only for some golfing but for the several social events scheduled each year. For those of you that don't have it on your calendar yet, pencil in our annual Holiday Dinner Dance for December 8. Our tentative plans for this year are to move back to the Montecito Clubhouse and dance to a real live band. More to come.

Also, some of you may be interested in attending the SCSH Club Fair scheduled from 11 am to 1 pm on October 13. Drop in to learn more about the 50 plus clubs here at Shadow Hills, including our own Men's Golf Club.

Finally, you are reminded that our first monthly General Meeting (donut meeting) will be on Wednesday, October 18, at 8 am in the ballroom of the Montecito Clubhouse. During the meeting our Board will provide an overview of the year to come.



Needles and Pins



Projects galore – holiday centerpieces, quilted bags, crochet purses, crochet hats and bibs, table runners, crumb quilts, stuffed animals, and quilted checkerboard games – just some of the things we are either working

on or learning to make. Many of the crafts are created for family, friends, and donations. Our president, Joan Kiening, recently created a colorful quilt for an injured Chicago police officer. We are also working on items for the SCSH holiday gift boutique on November 11.

Do you have a desire to learn something new or work on that project that has been sitting for the last 20 years? You are welcome to drop by! You will find very friendly and very patient people to assist you! We meet on Sundays all day, Mondays from 12:30 to 5 pm, and Wednesdays from 9 am to 1 pm!

For more information, please contact Joan Kiening at needlesandpinssuncity@gmail.com.



Oke Dokey Karaoke

"Singing is fun and makes you feel good."

~ Alan Voss, our karaoke jockey (aka "KJ")

The club meets on the first Thursday of the month (October through May) in the Montecito Ballroom from 6 to 9 pm. The best thing about karaoke is that you can sing or hear any kind of music you like – show tunes, country, big band, jazz, pop, rock, and tunes from "The Great American Songbook." We have 72,000 songs for you in our songbooks from today's tunes to those of the '40s, '50s, and '60s. You don't have to sing, just come and listen – studies show you may live longer and help get rid of stress with music! You'll meet interesting neighbors with varied backgrounds and assist in being a great audience for all the singers. Everyone sings better with enthusiasm from the audience. Our dance floor is also open for those who like dancing.

We can help those who haven't sung before – by helping pick a song or how to hold the "mic" Mark your calendar and come join us. Bring your own libation and snacks. Dues are \$10/year if you decide to join. These funds help us with buying new songs and equipment.

For more information, tune in to SCSH Podcast Episode 306 (www.scszca.com/podcast306) for the interview with Alan Voss, club president, or call him at 209-768-9393.



Pairs 9-Hole Golf

Our club's mission is to share the love of golf in a social and friendly way while having a relaxed and fun game. After playing nine holes of golf on the par-3 North course, we then gather at Shadows restaurant for a fun social "happy hour." We use a shotgun start format on all holes; and play a fun and unique game paired with different club members on each play date. Play starts at 1:30 pm, signing in no later than 1 pm with games on the first and third Thursday of each month. We have 12 play dates, scheduled: October 5 & 19, November 2, December 14, January 4 & 18, February 1 & 15, March 7 & 21, and April 4 & 18. Our welcome back "Potluck Dinner" is December 7 and our "Club Dinner" is March 7.

Whether you are single or a couple wanting to play, we do not require handicaps and membership dues is \$15 per person due in January. To register for each play date, you must complete the emailed invite by noon on Wednesday before play. For registration information email us at scshpairsgolf@gmail.com or call Glenn Carlson at: 206-200-5452 or Mike Johnson at 775-721-7966.



Pan Club

Happy autumn to our members!

We are all excited about the cooler weather and less humidity. We are also excited about our upcoming tournament! Here are the particulars:

ANNUAL PAN TOURNAMENT

Thursday, October 19, 2023

9:30 am – 3:30 pm (approximately)

Please make your \$40 checks payable to "SCSH Pan Club." The \$40 will cover your luncheon, beverages, and prizes. Please drop your checks in our Pan Club mail slot in the Montecito Clubhouse. You can also place your checks in a folder in the Pan room on Mondays, Tuesdays, or Thursdays, from 11 am – 3 pm while Pan is in session. Special Notes: There will be NO registration forms needed. Wednesday,

September 20 is the deadline for all checks to be in. We will be sending additional information via email as we get closer to the "BIG DAY."

PAN LESSONS | We are having the first Pan lesson on Tuesday, October 24 from 3:30 – 5:30 pm.

Thank you for the great response to our tournament! Remind your fellow Pan players to join us!

And lastly, may all your dreams of "bongs" come true! Questions? Comments? Contact President Michele Kirsch at 661-510-5790 or kirschmi62@gmail.com.



Paper Crafters

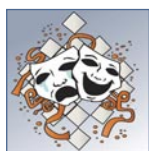


With October bringing us colorful leaves, Halloween, and best of all, our snowbird members returning to the desert, we will be designing cards to enjoy the fall season and get ready for the holidays. We have welcomed many new members in the last few months and look forward to many more joining us to create new card designs and projects and getting to know one another. Paper Crafters club is a friendly, social, fun-loving group.

Each week a new card or project will be presented by one of our members. The projects range from \$1 to \$3. Join us in the Mirada room at the Montecito Clubhouse every Tuesday at 12:45 pm with classes beginning at 1pm. For SCSH residents, the first class is on us. You will see how much fun we have sharing our creativity with each other and making new friends. Membership is \$10.

After class, you are encouraged to stay and use the supplies and equipment available to make additional cards or projects. One of our members is always there to help if needed. We would love to have you join us.

Questions? Contact our president, Sharon La Croix, at 760-469-2447 or noflurn@gmail.com.



Performing Arts Club

NEWSFLASH | Snowbirds are caught acting in the fall, 2023 play rehearsals of *Deathtrap* by Ira Levin!

Wow! How great is that? What more proof does one need that the Sun City Shadow Hills Performing Arts Club has international and domestic actors delivering stellar Broadway performances twice a year in our very own Montecito Clubhouse ballroom?

Boy, howdy, and you thought moving here might be dull! No way! The Performing Arts Club is your sure ticket to nonstop fun, drama, murder, comedy, mystery, and more! You don't even have to know how to spell Shakespeare!

You, you, and you: please mark your calendars for our next meeting, October 11, 2023, at the Montecito Clubhouse, in the Capistrano Room at 7 pm. Come on out and meet your fellow fun-loving thespians. You'll have a wonderful time, guaranteed! There are always opportunities to take part in the production and performance of our plays and share in the enjoyment of the pleasure that comes from participation.

Our play this fall is *Deathtrap* by Ira Levin, November 16, 17, and 18, with a matinee at 2 pm on Sunday, November 19, 2023. The longest running comedy thriller on Broadway! Nominated for four Tony Awards including Best Play. It is a tremendously exciting murder/mystery thriller! If you like Alfred Hitchcock, you're gonna love *Deathtrap*!

Buying tickets for the play is super easy. On your computer go to scshca.com/tickets and scroll to *Deathtrap*! Buy away. You can choose your seats and the performance you wish. The service is operated by Eventbrite, which Lifestyles uses for all events..

For inquiries, please contact our club president, Linda Bostjanick, at lbostjanick1@gmail.com. She can't wait to welcome you!



Pet Club

It was great seeing you all once again after our summer hiatus and welcoming our newest members to the Pet Club!

Michael Phipps-Russell, Executive Director of Loving All Animals, presentation was very inspiring and learning about the numerous services and involvement within the CV communities that Loving All Animals provides and offers all pet owners, as well as, fostering and adoptions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **October 10, 6 pm – Pet Club Meeting**
Guest Speaker: Hope Ranch Animal Sanctuary. Collection of pet items, blankets, towels, and unopened animal food will be given to Hope Ranch.
- **October 14 – Mircochipping Event**
Loving All Animals will provide this service from 9 am – noon, outside the Montecito Clubhouse. Service fee of \$20, registration details to follow via the weekly SCSH e-blast.
- **October 31 – Halloween Pet Parade**
A Lifestyle hosted event. See the ad in the Lifestyle section of the magazine for more information.
For additional information, please contact Jo Provenzano-King, Pet Club President at 818- 848-5959 or j.n.provenzano@hotmail.com.



Pickleball Club

Hard to believe that summer is coming to an end soon. Our SCSH Pickleball Club is gearing up for another exciting season. Although we play year-round, we will begin our regular schedule of events October 1 to April 30. Pickleball is easy to learn and a great low impact activity for seniors and all other active adults at all fitness levels. We offer one *free* Introductory Pickleball 101 lesson to all members and non-members. Check out our new website scshpickleball.org for details and registration. The annual membership is \$50. Our calendar is jam packed with opportunities to play throughout the day (7 am until 8 pm), seven days a week. The equipment that is needed is low cost, but the strong sense of community and social fun is priceless.

Come check us out at our First Annual Open House:
Saturday October 28, 2023 · 9 am to 12 pm
Santa Rosa Pickleball Courts 7-12

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We will supply the paddles, balls, instruction, fun, and refreshments. We'd love to show you what the world's fastest growing sport is all about! Warning: you will likely become addicted.

Please see our website scshpickleball.org or contact our Membership Chairperson, Marc Michaelson at scsh.pickleball@gmail.com. You may also contact any of our other board members if you have any questions!

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Pomettes

Do you love to dance and stay active? The Pomettes of Sun City Shadow Hills is a multi-talented, spirited, and committed Pom (dance) team. Pomettes are committed to excellence in performance, providing entertainment at a variety of events throughout the Valley. We do this with a spirit of integrity and service, to bring fun and inspiration to all. We enjoy staying fit and working together to inspire an active lifestyle.

The Pomettes performed for the SCSH Desert Life Kick-Off of the Season luncheon in September. This month, we will be at the SCSH Club Expo from 11 am to 1 pm on October 13, so stop by and say hello.

The Performance Team practice at 5 pm Mondays and Wednesdays in the Montecito Aerobics Studio. We are learning new choreography for upcoming parades and events in the fall.

We are looking for new members both for the Performance Team and as Supporting (non-performing) Members. We welcome new members on Mondays at 5 pm.

If you would like to have the Pomettes perform at your event, please let us know.

For more information contact Club President Sue McCollum at pomettes.scsch@gmail.com.



Rainbow Friends

Well, we've made it...the last quarter of 2023! Hope all of you are enjoying the "cooler" temps as we start "The Season" here in the beautiful Coachella Valley.

Summer is now a fond memory and it's time to welcome back our snowbirds. We also want to welcome all our new members.

We look forward to seeing members old and new at our next meeting that will take place on Wednesday, October 11, in the Montecito Clubhouse at 6 pm. Please check your email for the latest information. Happy Halloween!

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



Readers Ink

Fiction Book Club

Our club reconvened after being dark for two months! To celebrate, Deborah Drucker brought cupcakes and other treats to welcome back our members. Yummy! We also welcomed new members. We discussed the book of the month for September, *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson. Our door prizes this month included two pairs of earrings (adorned with books) and a special bookmark.



We also discussed the list of possible choices of books to be read next year, including the two books

we had chosen for July and August of this year that we were unable to read. Since we only have two meetings before December, volunteers signed up to assist with the Christmas party, which will be held in the Montecito Clubhouse.

Our next meeting will be on October 24, at 2 pm in the Capistrano Room in the Montecito Clubhouse. *The Lincoln Highway* by Armor Towles will be discussed.

Non-Fiction Book Club

The next meeting of the Non-Fiction Addiction Group will be on Wednesday, October 25, at 2 pm in the La Jolla room at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. For members who cannot attend in person, the next meeting will also be available on Zoom. Our selection for the month is the 484-page book *The Song of the Cell: An Exploration of Medicine and the New Human*, by Siddhartha Mukherjee.

If you want to get a jump-start on our November selection, we'll be reading and discussing the 352-page book *Susan, Linda, Nina & Cookie: The Extraordinary Story of the Founding Mothers of NPR*, by Lisa Napoli.

If you'd like to join us, see who we are, and how we manage to have a great time discussing each of the books selected, contact jhan.schmitz@gmail.com.



Snowbirds Club

The Snowbirds Club was created for two primary reasons: 1) to provide specific information on a variety of topics to snowbirds, most importantly, safe home closures, and 2) to provide a vehicle for snowbirds to meet, socialize, and have fun together. Presently, the Snowbirds Club is comprised of almost an equal number of American and Canadian Snowbirds, and we have quite a few permanent residents as members.

The Snowbirds Club has a 25-page Home Closure document to help you with the many steps necessary to close your home for the summer. We can also provide information on maintenance, repairs, and technology for your home.

The Snowbirds Club holds many social events throughout the winter where members can meet with other snowbirds, socialize over a glass of wine, and

have some fun. Our goal is for snowbirds to develop some strong friendships.

We have created a variety of snowbird social groups for coffee, casual lunches, monthly mixers, and happy hours, as well as some outside programs. All are great way to meet fellow snowbirds. To attend our member events and programs, please join our Snowbirds Club by registering at shadowhillssnowbirds.springly.org or by contacting the Membership Director at scshsnowbirds@gmail.com.



Solos Club

Solos is a social club for single residents of SCSH. Our regularly scheduled activities each month include an outing, like a dinner or happy hour, and our regular monthly meeting, which also includes a fun activity. If you would like any membership information contact Shirley Bunce at 760-345-812 or email her at bunce.shirley123@yahoo.com.

Solos also has a standing reservation for a few tables at Shadows Restaurant for happy hour every Friday night at 4 pm. Come meet with your fellow members or make a new friend and enjoy a drink, appetizer, or small meal. Our regular monthly meetings are held on the third Sunday of each month from 5 to 7 pm in the Capistrano Room of the Montecito Clubhouse. Hope you can join us then.



Table Tennis Club



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Ping Pongers love the sun, but playing in A/C is a nice change of pace. Wednesdays at 11 am, Fridays and Sundays at 2 pm, we welcome anyone who can walk and chew gum at the same time.



The President and first lady are pictured among other members who carpe diem in laughs and good fun.



Tennis Club

The extreme heat of the summer is finally behind us, which means it's time to start welcoming many of our snowbird members back to the desert. Hope you all had a wonderful summer. Watch for email reminders regarding the fall/winter schedule which will take effect on October 29, as well as announcements of upcoming social events.

If you are new to our community and are interested in tennis, our dues are \$20 a year and include access to organized playing schedules for all skill levels. Many of our members participate in USTA League play with other communities in the valley. You have access to an on-site tennis pro for individual or group lessons. You may contact Sharon Walsh directly for pricing information: walshtennis@aol.com or 719-337-1624. For more information on joining our club please visit <https://scshtennis.com> or contact Linda Johnson at lnkjohns@hotmail.com. See you on the courts.



That's Entertainment

Starting with the April 19th comedy night, we are returning to our "off season" seating through October. Both room side sections return to a layout that allows for more personal space that is preferred by some. Shadows has added a cash bar in the lobby at 6:15 pm on comedy night. Wine, beer, and soft drinks are available for purchase before the show.

If you are new to the community, you may be unaware of Sir Laffs-A-Lot's Comedy Night. On the third Wednesday of each month, we arrange for two southern California comedians to put on a 90-minute comedy show, at 7 pm, in the Montecito Clubhouse. The talent is different every month. We are in our 12th year of presenting this event. Reserved seat tickets, for \$12 each, go on sale on the first day of each month, at 8 am, in the Montecito Lobby. Please see our ad, in this magazine, or poster/flyers for further information.



Tuesday Night Putters

We are a club that plays the 18-hole putting course every other Tuesday night in a very social atmosphere. This does not require skill of any kind, just a ball, a putter, a fun-loving spirit, and the ability to have a good time. We have both couples and singles. After the putting is over, we celebrate with pizza, TKB, El Pollo Loco, or another fine selection.

The membership fee is \$20 and \$15 for each putting session which includes a meal, putting, and a raffle ticket. We are dark in the off season. Please join us for "Brats & Beer" on October 24, 2023, and sign up for the season.

Tuesday Night Putters is sponsoring a mini-golf tournament on our putting course to benefit the Coachella Valley foster kids. See our ad in the Lifestyle section of the magazine for more information on how you can participate in this community-wide charity event.

2023-2024 SCHEDULE:

- Tuesday, October 24 – Brats & Beers

- Tuesday, November 21
- Tuesday, December 5
- Tuesday, December 12 – Holiday Party
- Tuesday, December 19
- Tuesday, January 9
- Tuesday, January 23
- Tuesday, February 6
- Tuesday, February 20
- Tuesday, March 5
- Sunday, March 10 – Spring Fling Dinner Dance
- Tuesday, March 26
- Tuesday, April 9
- Tuesday, April 23

Here is a link to our membership form: www.scschca.com/tnpmembership. Once received, you will receive an email at 7 am the Tuesday before a scheduled event to sign up.



Tutta Bella Vino

Hope Family Wines

Tutta Bella Vino has a very special treat for our October wine tasting. We are devoting this month to Hope Family Wines, and this Paso Robles vineyard was named the 2022 American Winery of the Year. Join us on Saturday October 21 at 7 pm in the Montecito Ballroom. Our wine professional, Amanda Cardenas, with Republic National Distributing will guide you through the wines of this marvelous vineyard. Do not delay, register today for this exciting wine tasting!



- The membership fee for this season for returning members is \$15 per person and it will need to be paid when you register for your first event. Those of

you who have never attended a tasting may attend one event to experience a tasting without paying the required membership fee.

- The Wine Tastings by Tutta Bella Vino are \$25 per member and \$28 for a non-resident guest of a member for the “regular” tastings.
- The tasting by Tutta Bella Vino will include 6 to 7 wines for the evening with a cheese and fruit platter for your enjoyment at your table.
- **Please, for this event you must bring your own wine glass!** Shadows is not providing full-service catering at this time.
- You will be able to order the wine of your choosing at the special club pricing by the case at the end of the evening. Shadows will accept both credit cards and checks for your orders.
- The Registration forms will be available on the Club webpage at www.scschca.com/tuttabella beginning September 15, 2023. The registration forms will also be on the racks at Montecito. Registration for this event closes October 14 or upon sell-out, so don't delay space is limited. Unless you are notified otherwise your registration has been accepted.
- Questions? Please email: tuttabellavino@gmail.com.



Ukulele Strummers



Here is to a Spooktacular October, for Everyone!
The Ukulele Board members are looking forward to starting this fall season on October 12, 2023.

We believe the musical experiences we will provide this fall will inspire, as well as build a good base of

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musical skills and brain power. The styles of music to be covered include folk, rock, blues, and songs from the American Song Book.

Ukulele posters for the fall season are up. Flyers are available in the display areas of Montecito and Santa Rosa clubhouses. Our meeting location is in the Cambria Room at the Montecito Clubhouse. The time for the Beginning Class is every Thursday at 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm. The performing Ukulele Ensemble rehearses from 1:45 pm to 3:30 pm.

Please join our Ukulele Club as the spirit moves you. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me or board members listed below.

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Veterans Club

The Veterans Club will meet on October 17, at 6 pm in the Montecito Clubhouse. We will have a special speaker. Please come and join us! We will talk about the activities for the year!

We can help veterans and spouses with Veterans affairs and questions about Veteran benefits. Our local Veterans Affairs office is on Monroe Street in Indio. The phone number is 760-863-8266.

Need a new flag?? Call Larry Smith at 714-401-3772. Larry has new flags and flag poles.

We are always looking for new members. Please come to our next meeting!

For more information, contact club president Pete Anderson at 760-775-4745 or petegolf@yahoo.com.



Women's Golf Club

Welcome back to all returning club members as we start a new season of golf and activities planned for 2023/2024. Our annual Welcome Back Party will be held on November 9, with breakfast at our Montecito Clubhouse, whereby, we will be voting on new candidates to start January 1, 2024. We will also be confirming a few interim positions that start November 1, 2023.

The South Course, after overseeding, will reopen on November 10. Please come out and enjoy our beautiful golf course as the weather is beginning to cool down.

Scoring on Wednesdays will be done on Golf Genius while another master scorecard will be kept comparing hole by hole scores.

We have several volunteer positions during the season that we encourage participation and thank you to everyone who serves, supports, and volunteers for our club.



Writer's Club

Our club meets every Thursday of each month in the La Jolla room in the Santa Rosa clubhouse at 9:30 am. There are no meetings on the fifth Thursday of any month.

We are a group of individuals who enjoy writing. Each member has the opportunity to read one or two pages, or 500 words or less, of their work to the group and 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.

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For additional information, email Beth at bethbolduc7@gmail.com, or Tony at antiqphoto@gmail.com.

RESIDENT GROUPS



Democrats

Join us for our October Meeting

Thursday, October 19, 2023

Montecito Clubhouse – Cambria Room

New and returning members welcome!

Social time begins at 6 pm

Meeting begins at 6:30 pm

Concerned about local, state, and federal issues and the elected officials we entrust to serve us?

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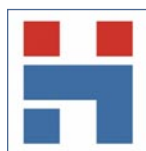
We work to impact not just elections in California but those across the country, both state and federal.

Please contact us via our email address:

- If you want to join our group
- If you want to receive our weekly Monday Morning emails
- If you have any questions about the Dems Club

Our weekly emails will keep you informed about local and national issues, volunteering opportunities, and local political events.

Email: democratsinscsh@gmail.com



Hadassah

Sabra Hadassah of the Desert invites you to attend a meeting with featured speaker on Thursday morning, October 12, featuring the CEO of Jewish Federation of the Desert, Alan Potash. This will be an interactive conversation on antisemitism taking place at the Jewish Federation Building in Rancho Mirage. Call Debbie Orgen at 760-289-7987 for more details and reservations.

Save the Date: Thursday, November 30, for a fun event – Bingo with Hadassah in the Montecito Clubhouse ballroom from 4pm – 6 pm.

Interested in learning more about our Desert Area Hadassah Group, attending a “Mix & Mingle” event? Contact our club’s vice president of membership, Marilyn Katz at 818-448-9299.



Mountain View Church

Welcome to Mountain View Christian Church!

Looking for healthy Christian fellowship? Mountain View is an inter-denominational Christian church that has been in the Shadow Hills community for several years. If you are new to the community, just visiting or looking for a new church we are a loving, caring fellowship with a heart for the Word of God. We will make no promises that God won’t keep. We are committed to “practical” Christian living through the study and teaching of God’s word.

We have a new pastor, Rev. Ed Brown, with over forty years of pastoral experience, teaching with an expository approach to God’s Word from both the Old and New Testaments to provide relevant applications to current times.

Mountain View meets in the Capistrano Room of the Montecito Clubhouse. Service time is 10:00 am on Sunday mornings. We are casual in dress and enjoy fellowship before service and refreshments after the service.

If you would like more information and or prayer, please do not hesitate to call or text Pastor Ed at

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760-908-3110. Pastor can also be reached via email at pastored@cox.net. This is your personal invitation! We hope to see you soon!



If you are interested in helping Republicans make a difference in the Coachella Valley, join our group. We meet at the Montecito Clubhouse on the second Tuesday of each month. Social hour begins at 6 pm, and our regular meeting starts at 6:15 pm. Refreshments are served.

Join us on October 10 when we have guest speaker Ian Weeks. Mr. Weeks is running for U.S. House California District 25 against Incumbent Raul Ruiz. Mr. Weeks will advocate for policies that make life better for families: sensible policies on fiscal matters, small business-friendly, and tough on crime.

We have a monthly planned program, including city council members, local candidates, or representatives from nearby museums, local charities, or newspapers. Staying informed about the issues of today is essential, and there is no better place to learn what is current in our community, state, and nation than at our Republican Club meetings.

Annual dues are \$25 per couple and \$15 for a single membership. Questions? Contact Pete Anderson, club president, at petegolf@yahoo.com or 760-775-4745.

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VeloCity Cyclists

The VeloCity Cyclists of Sun City Shadow Hills are a group of road cycling enthusiasts. We ride Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays averaging 30-40 miles throughout the Coachella Valley. It is our hope to add more members, both men and women, to enjoy rides. Usually, we stop for coffee along the route for great camaraderie. For those interested in joining, contact Greg Smith at 650-861-7408 or gs_smith@pacbell.net.



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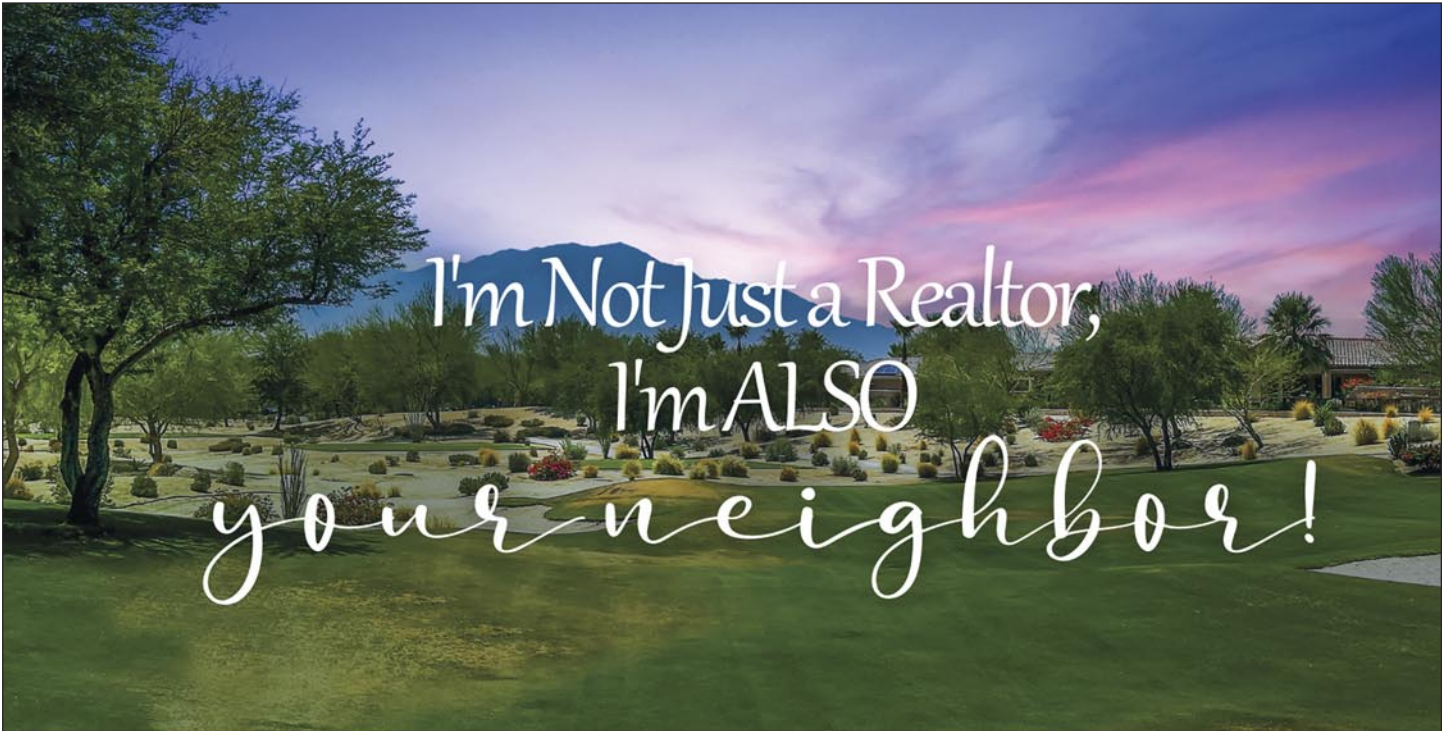
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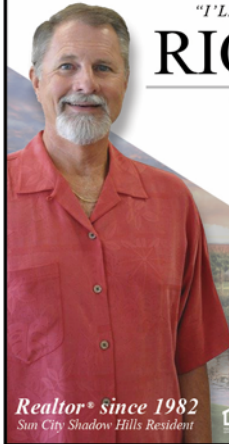
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