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ASSOCIATION OFFICE

Monday - Friday | 9 AM - 12 PM, 1 - 4 PM 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 Children's Pool Hours (Ages 4-16) Montecito Outdoor Pool | 2 PM – 5 PM Santa Rosa Pool | 9 AM – 12 PM

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE | Daily | 6 AM - 9 PM SANTA ROSA FITNESS CENTER | Daily | 6 AM - 9 PM SHADOWS RESTAURANT | Tuesday - Sunday | 8 AM - 8 PM SHADOWS TERRACE | Daily | 6 AM - 2 PM SANTA ROSA BISTRO | Daily | 6 AM - 3 PM MONTECITO CAFÉ | Tuesday – Friday | 9 AM – 1 PM All hours are subject to change.

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To promote the community and recognize the individuals who contribute to the identity of the community, and to impart information relevant to the community as a whole.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

JERRY CONRAD | PRESIDENT

Hello, neighbors. Realizing this is my last article for The View, I felt a need to proudly share three substantial accomplishments of my tenure and briefly cover others.

First, the small 2.7% dues increase in the 2024 budget. The willingness of our vendors to negotiate their cost increases to under 4% was the main reason. Thank you to DRM, Troon, Vintage Landscaping, and Allied Security for doing their part in making our dues increase manageable.

Interesting and important note: At a valley-wide DRM February symposium attended by all SCSH Board Members, and all but one candidate running in our upcoming annual elections, we learned the average increase in local HOA dues throughout the Coachella Valley this past year was 9%!

Second, keeping the Capital Reserve Funding (CRF) percentage at 70.8%. This number is a benchmark for a healthy CRF and, thus, a healthy community. Our financial health is extraordinarily strong because of to the sound management of our Financial Advisory Committee. I want to commend Bob Jester and all the crew on this committee, as they truly are the backstop to our financial health.

Third, the City Development Coordinating Committee led the charge that forced Pulte to abandon the attempt to run their Desert Retreat Project sewer line through the middle of our community! This was one of the finest decisions the Board made in choosing this incredible group of committed residents to negotiate and get results.

Decisions by the Board are made through careful review and debate over contracts and bids. Reserve Funds (RF) are used to renovate and/or upgrade our

public areas for the benefit of the entire community based on a 30-year life expectancy schedule. Those projects are noted below by RF. However, those funds, along with operating funds, are also used for unexpected repairs. Briefly, below are other accomplishments this Board, our vendors, and committees have worked hard to complete:

- Repainted common area walls in Phase 1. RF
- Repainted all wrought iron fences in common areas. RF
- Phase 1 median landscape renovation project. RF
- Montecito Fitness Center flooring replacement. RF
- Santa Rosa Fitness Center flooring replacement. RF
- Montecito outdoor pool concrete deck and underground drainage system renovation. RF
- Montecito Clubhouse and Fitness Center foam roofs recoating. RF
- Replaced all Montecito outdoor pool furniture. RF
- Resurfaced Montecito tennis courts (four courts). RF

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Next Board Meeting:

Date: Monday, April 29

Time: 2:00 pm

Location: Montecito Ballroom

Please join us!



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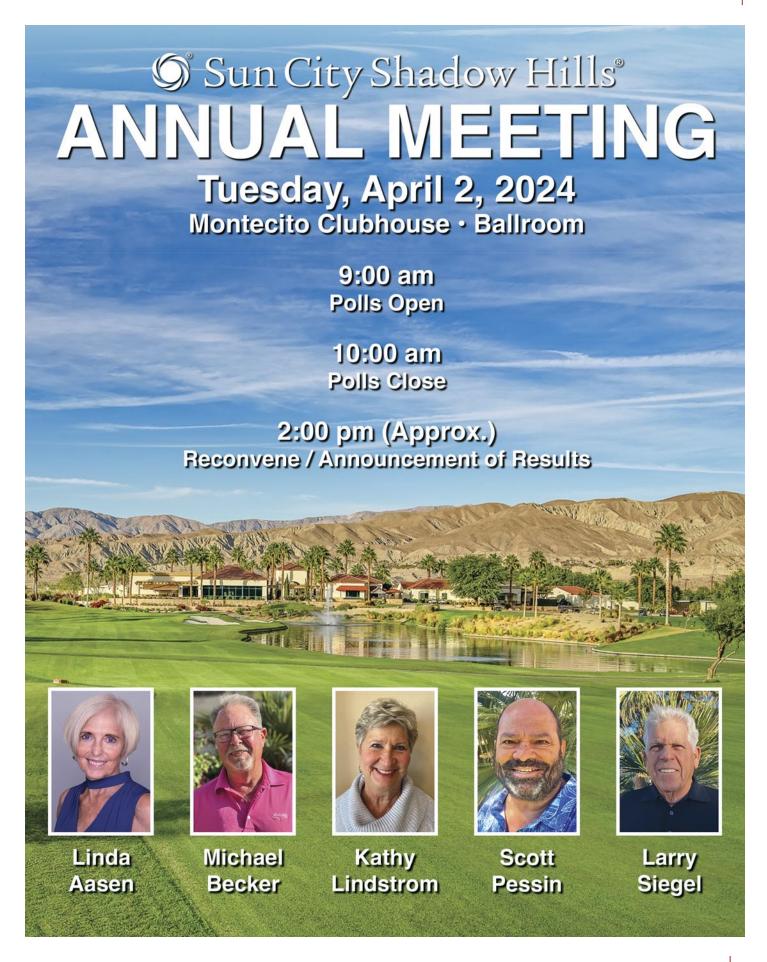
- Pickleball and tennis dual lining of courts 5 and 6. Operating Fund.
- Installed eight AED Machines throughout the property, for a total of 13 AEDs installed. Operating Fund. Common Area Improvement.
- Replaced the pump on hole #4 with the incredible help of Troon and DRM.
- Replaced the Montecito Clubhouse outdoor speakers. RF
- Replaced the Shadow Restaurant sound and music system. RF
- Replace the chairs, carpet, and audio/video at the Montecito Ballroom. RF schedule
- Resurfaced the Santa Rosa indoor walking track. RF
- Resurfaced the Santa Rosa pool deck. RF
- Installed a handicap ramp near Bocce courts. Operating Fund. Common Area Improvement
- Installed a handicapped ramp at Santa Rosa facility. Operating Fund. Common Area Improvement
- Contracted to replace the dehumidifier in indoor pool. RF. Install pending.

- Contracted to replaster the indoor swimming pool. RF. Project pending.
- Reopened the Montecito Café after two years of closure. (Hopefully, the next Board will find a way to expand both hours and features.)

These are not all the improvements and replacements in our community, but this list will give you an idea of the work required to make our community a wonderful place to live. Thank you to DRM and Troon for their continued support of the Board — without their hard work, the above improvements could not have been completed. I know they will continue to be an important part of our continued success.

Finally, I want to wish the next Board members good luck with all that comes before them in the coming year. And, of course, thank you all for letting me serve you these past two years as Board member and President. It has been an honor and a privilege.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

Sun City Shadow Hills® Condensed Financial Information

Balance Sheets

January 31, 2024 (Unaudited)		January 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	December 31, 2023 (Unaudited)	
Assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	5,203,073	5,373,094	5,085,795	
Certificate of deposits and investments	16,840,686	14,557,954	16,661,900	
Property and equipment, net	746,558	1,213,868	785,167	
Cash - chartered clubs	199,594	199,594	199,594	
All other assets	476,174	475,475	499,780	
Total assests	\$23,466,085	\$21,819,985	\$23,232,236	
<u>Liabilities:</u>				
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	1,138,551	1,048,154	1,843,133	
Prepaid Assessments and deferred revenue	832,235	932,771	240,413	
Total liabilities	\$1,970,786	\$1,980,925	\$2,083,546	
Fund balances:				
Operating	2,510,212	2,371,196	2,381,753	
N Channel Flood Control Fund	1,080,147	1,164,340	1,077,824	
Chartered Clubs	199,594	199,594	199,594	
Property and equipment	746,558	1,213,868	785,167	
Replacement	16,958,788	14,890,063	16,704,556	
Total Fund Balances	\$21,495,299	\$19,839,061	\$21,148,894	
Total Liabilities and Fund Balances	\$23,466,085	\$21,819,986	\$23,232,440	

	North Channel			
Statement of Changes in Fund Balances	Operating Fund	Fund	Replacement Fund	Total
Fund balances, beginning of year	3,293,063	1,077,824	16,704,556	21,075,443
Excess of revenues over expenses	163,301	2,323	254,232	419,856
Interfund Transfers	- Albaran	****		
Fund balances, as of December 31, 2023	\$3,456,364	\$1,080,147	\$16,958,788	\$21,495,299

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



Meet a Board Member

Thursday, April 11 · 3 pm · Montecito Clubhouse Capistrano Room

Come by and introduce yourself to Terry Coon, Treasurer of your HOA Board. He 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 month ended January 31, 2024

to budget for the month ended January 3.	Actual	Budget	Over (Under) Budget	Percent	2024 Annual Budget	Total Monthly Assessment
Operating Fund DRM/HOA Operations	Actual			Percent		Assessment
Assessments	788,153	788,153	0	0.0%	9,457,830	\$228.45
All other revenues	84,324	65,654	18,670	28.4%	787,830	
Total revenues	872,476	853,807	18,670	2.2%	10,245,660	-
Total expenses	823,328	857,516	(34,188)	-4.0%	10,345,780	_
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	49,148	(3,710)	52,858	-1424.9%	(100,120)	
North Channel Flood Control						
Assessments	0	0	0		0	\$0.00
All other revenues	2,323	0	2,323		0	
Total revenues	2,323	0	2,323		0	- -3
Total Expenses	0	18,750	(18,750)		0	
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	2,323	(18,750)	21,073		0	
Troon Operations-Golf						
Revenues	443,423	415,800	27,623	6.6%	3,748,200	
Expenses, Includes depreciation	451,063	436,119	14,944	3.4%	5,631,577	
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	(7,640)	(20,319)	12,679	-62.4%	(1,883,377)	
Assessments	120,854	120,854			1,450,248	- \$35.03
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	113,214					
Troon Food & Beverage						
Revenues	135,988	172,000	(36,012)	-20.9%	2,210,354	
Expenses	187,178	215,816	(28,638)	-13.3%	5,198,377	
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	(51,190)	(43,816)	(7,374)	16.8%	(2,988,023)	
Assessments	52,130	52,130	(1,514)	10.070	625,560	\$15.11
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	940	32,130			023,300	Ģ15.11
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Total Operating Fund Assessments	961,137	961,137	0	0.0%	11,533,626	\$278.59
All other revenues	663,735	653,454	10,281	1.6%	6,120,830	\$276.55
Total revenues	1,624,871	1,614,591	10,281	0.6%	17,654,456	
Total expenses	1,461,569	1,528,201	(37,994)	-2.5%	18,187,656	
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	163,302	86,390	76,913	89.0%	(533,200)	
Replacement Fund						-
Revenues						
Revenues (Assessments)	232,565	232,565		0.0%	2,790,774	\$67.41
All other revenues	31,404	34,000	(2,596)	-7.6%	408,000	20
Unrealized gain/loss on investments	5,818	0	5,818		THE RESERVE THE THE	
Total revenues	269,787	266,565	3,222	1.2%	3,198,774	- 2
Total expenses	15,555	2,583	12,972	502.2%	3,783,643	_
Excess of revenues/(expenses)	254,232	263,982	(9,750)	-3.7%	(584,869)	
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				Total Mo	nthly Assessmen	t \$346.00

PEOPLE WHO MAKE OUR LIVES BETTER



Brooke Roberts

EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH

You have no doubt encountered Brooke Roberts at the front desk if you have been in the HOA office recently. Although somewhat new to the Sun City Shadow Hills family, in her capacity as Community Associate, she has demonstrated that she is committed and willing to expand her horizons.

A few things to note about Brooke: she is always smiling, is quick and witty, and asks questions often so that she better understands what is expected of her (curiosity is always a good sign). She is always there for her teammates and our residents, even if it means staying a bit later than usual. Brooke makes sure that homeowners do not feel pressured or rushed and understands that, in a sense, she is the face of the HOA and takes pride in that.

Brooke is the mother of a beautiful oneyear-old named River and is expecting her second bundle of joy this summer.

Congratulations, Brooke! We commend you for your hard work, dedication, and willingness to learn. We are lucky to have you as a part of the SCSH family.

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





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CARI BURLEIGH, CCAM.LS.AA, AMS | GENERAL MANAGER VANESSA AYON | ASSISTANT GENERAL MANAGER

We are so proud to inform you that Sun City Shadow Hills was selected as the 2024 Community Managers International Association (CMIA) main host. On April 8, 2024, we will be honored to host approximately 50 General Managers from large-scale communities like ours throughout the United States.

The attendees represent decision-makers at various residential and resort communities that offer swim facilities, golf courses, clubhouses, and other recreation amenities. The CMIA workshop is about creating quality networking opportunities. The attendees will benefit by being on-site and observing your Management Team in action!

The workshop entails a three-day visit to the Coachella Valley. Because we are the main host,



attendees will tour SCSH and spend the day with us on April 8, 2024. The following day, the attendees will tour Sun City Palm Desert and PGA West Fairways. The workshop includes several supporting sponsors and guest speakers to create a fun and educational experience.

A very special thank you to Jeff Kirkpatrick, EPC Chair, and the Information Advisory Committee for their contribution to the workshop. The Sun City Shadow Hills Board of Directors and your Management Team are excited to show off your wonderful community.

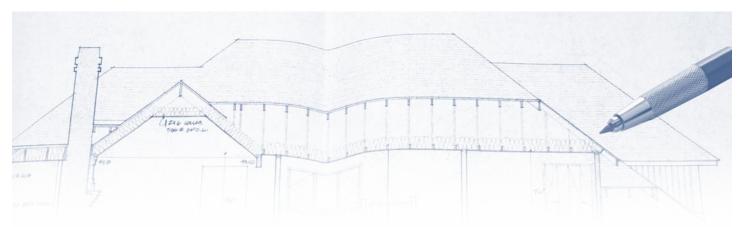
P.S. Feel free to greet the attendees and share fun stories about our clubs, sporting facilities, F&B outlets, and the fabulous retirement paradise at SCSH.

Contact the authors at cari.burleigh@associa.us and vanessa.ayon@associa.us.



Pets on Common Areas

Please remember to be courteous. Do not allow your pets to walk on homeowner property without their permission. Do not allow your pets to soil or urinate on another owner's property. Please remember to pick up after your pets regardless of the area.



Design Review Committee (DRC)

AGI KESSLER | CHAIR

Question from a homeowner: What items are considered during DRC routine inspections?

The answer is simple and complicated at once, but it boils down to property maintenance. Rather than quoting every section of the Design Rules (DR), here are some simple tools to do a property inspection. The checklist below will be beneficial to you and help identify any items in need of attention. Of course, if you need some fun late-night reading, the DRs can be found at www.scshca.com/designrules for your reading pleasure.

Things to consider:

Landscape:

- Are there bare areas of dirt visible, or is groundcover in your yard looking sparse?
- Is there any plant material within 6 feet of the curb more than 4 feet tall?
- Is your plant material trimmed properly and not growing into each other?
- Are there enough plants in your yard to meet the minimum planting requirements?
- Are there weeds in the yard or driveway?
- Are the climbing/vine plants growing over the roof?
- Are there wires or nails in the stucco that held plants but are now bare (remove)?
- Are there irrigation lines uncovered and visible above ground?
- Are there unused drip watering lines (no plants)?
- Are the tree(s) trimmed?
- Are tree limbs contained within your property?
- Are there too many ornaments?
- Do you have furniture in the yard not in the front entrance or an enclosed patio?
- Is there a need for maintenance to the overall stucco, shutters, or driveway?

This checklist intends to bring awareness to certain items we may not normally consider. I hope you find it useful and that it helps you avoid receiving a "Courtesy Notice." Of course, Courtesy Notices always come as a total surprise, and the notice never feels like a "courtesy." Be assured that the DRC, comprised of volunteer homeowners, is on your side. That is why we work so hard for you. If you receive such a notice, please don't ignore it. Please respond. If you feel the issue is an error, let us know. If you have already fixed it, let us know. If you need more time to fix it, let us know.

We are here for you! If you have questions, concerns, or comments, please write – we are your DRC.

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Finance Advisory Committee (FAC)

ROBERT JESTER | CHAIR

Question of the Month: What has the Finance Advisory Committee been doing over the past months for this community?

Since we are in the midst of the Board election season and a new Board configuration will be put in place in April, this seemed like a good time to look back over what the committee has been doing the past months.

One of the committee's biggest tasks in 2023 was to assist in the budget process. We started on this in July 2023 and worked through the months until the final budget was approved in October 2023. Frankly, the committee had some input that did not make it into the 2024 budget, but the Board speaks for the community, and a budget was approved. We will carefully monitor the budget over the next months, and we will tackle the process again this summer. The committee is also drafting a budget process for the Board to follow for the 2025 budget, and we hope that the new Board will find it helpful and consider following it in the creation of the 2025 budget.

The committee is also close to approving an "operating cash available" formula for Board consideration and approval very soon. This is an extremely important formula to have so that the Board does not have to guess or assume how much "operating cash available" is present. Without this formula, the Board could be spending Association cash that would jeopardize the Association's ability to

pay its bills as they come due in both normal and crisis times. The guideline is to have enough available cash to meet two to three times the Association's average monthly expenses. This is really just like all of us. We need that cash cushion for unexpected expenses.

We have also been doing an extensive analysis of our Reserve Fund and the items funded on the replacement list of components. They number approximately 834 components that have a useful life of less than 30 years. Most of these useful life and replacement cost figures have not been intensively studied for some time. Now that we have a vice-chair devoted to this purpose, we are plowing ahead. You just learned that as of December 31, 2023, we had 16.7 million dollars in our Reserve Fund.

But that is not the whole story, as there are more serious Reserve Fund concerns that are being considered by this committee. Today, if it was necessary to replace everything on the 30-year replacement list, it would cost 43 million dollars and that does not consider inflation and other economic factors. But thankfully, we yearly retain a licensed reserve specialist to calculate what the monthly resident reserve assessment should be to cover those costs spread over 30 years.

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In addition, in the next five years we expect to spend 12 million dollars, so we will be focusing on adequate cash flows and the timing of the invoices that need to be paid. It is a laborious job, but it must be done. The Vice-Chair has spotlighted 80 components that comprise the highest dollar demands on the fund over the next 5 years. This requires the committee to carefully reexamine useful life and replacement cost on these 80 components, or we will not have the needed funds. We acknowledge that we are the "volunteers" who must spend the time to be sure the community is financially secure. We will accomplish our obligations, but we will need a Board that accepts our carefully researched recommendations for a healthy Reserve Fund. Remember that golf course maintenance

equipment alone over the period of 2019 to 2024 has experienced cost increases of 62%.

A final thought on the future of the Association's financial health, is the absolute need for a capital improvement fund and funding mechanism. We all hear the "we need a new or larger amenity" or "we need expanded clubhouse space." But to date, we do not have a funding mechanism other than a special assessment, which everyone wants to avoid.

So, the committee's request of you is to think outside the box and consider options and then be willing to accept new and inventive funding sources for your Association.

Contact the author at finance@scshca.com.

From the Library

CINDY DEGRAE

Are you going to be hitting the road soon? Whether you are heading back to your summer place, or heading out on an RV trip, or just visiting friends, be sure to grab a few books from the Montecito library before you leave. You may even find a few audiobooks in stock! And here's a tip: you don't even need to bring them back with you. We donate many boxes of books each month, so simply repurpose them elsewhere. You will have more room for your souvenirs.

We welcome your donations, but please remember that library space is limited, and we can only take certain types of books. Check the list below to see what items we can accept. Please be sure that your books are in excellent condition, and bring in no more than 10 books per month.

We Accept as Donations:

- ✓ Hardcover and paperback fiction, historical/ political, biographies/autobiographies
- ✓ Audiobooks and DVDs
- ✔ Recent magazines



We Do Not Accept:

- ✗ Cooking, sports, self-help, or "how to" books
- X Coffee table or picture books
- X Religious, travel, or reference books
- ✗ VCR tapes or music CDs

Thank you for supporting our library. Contact Barbara Perler at 760-772-4484 or baramp311@gmail.com if you have any questions or comments about the library.

Information Advisory Committee (IAC)

MARJE BURDINE | IAC MEMBER

The IAC is committed to evolving and improving our HOA community website, www.scshca.com. We want to bring two little nuggets on the website to your attention since many of you may not know about them.

After logging in, you will see "Ask A Question" in large print, followed by a link. If you submit a question related to our community, you will receive a response, usually within a day or two, from either the Information Advisory Committee, the HOA management team, or the Board. You will also see a link for FAQs. If you check this first, you may find that your question has already been addressed. These useful tools may save you some frustration or worry.



We also want to emphasize a new page on our website. After logging in, click on "Residents" listed on the top menu bar. This will allow you to connect with many special residents with often hidden talents and colorful histories. The categories are: Meet Your Neighbor (currently featuring eight residents), Spotlight on Volunteers (with 18 featured), Resident Writers (five), Resident Published Authors (seven), Pets Spot (22 - we do love our pets!), and the Resident Art Museum which is a gallery of photos of our artists' creations.

The Art Museum currently include photos of paintings, photography, and ceramics. Jewelry, needlework, and paper crafts will also be included in the future. More photos are needed, so please feel free to submit some of your own artistic work by completing the form on the page. Our Residents Corner page aims to build bridges within our community and to share our wealth of talented individuals.



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DIXIE ECKES LPGA Teaching & Club Professional

BY ARNOLD CHOY



One thing Dixie learned early was patience, especially while waiting for her turn to use the bathroom. Born the 11th of 14 children in Marshfield, WI in 1959, she had to "compete" for everything, including food, attention, and love.

Growing up, Dixie was a star athlete in whatever sport interested her. In track and field, she excelled in shot put, discus, high jump, and the 440-yd. dash. Strength and speed events became second nature to her as she dreamed of competing in the Olympics, but she quickly grew too tall to compete in gymnastics. Finally, she became a very good switch-hitting, power softball player, and she subsequently grew to be an avid Wisconsin "cheesehead" fan.

After graduating from high school in 1977, Dixie got a summer job working at a nearby Arabian horse ranch. Learning everything about feeding and caring for these animals, she was immediately smitten with just being around them.

The following year, while working at Weyerhaeuser (a timberland management company), a friend told Dixie she needed to see the rest of the world. So, in 1979, with \$500 saved, she bought a one-way ticket to Scottsdale, AZ, where she had a referral to work at one of the many horse ranches there. This brave and unintimidated 20-year-old recalls that this was her first time on an airplane, in a taxi, and in a hotel.



Dixie with gelding How Apropos, Red Ribbon Reserve Champion, 1992

Dixie found a ranch that hired her on the spot, and she started working the very next morning. Room and board were part of her whopping salary of \$3 per hour. Her connection with horses deepened because she had a ton of patience and an innate feel for the animals she loved. By 1985, while training horses part-time, she had developed and honed skills as a "horse whisperer," way before the term became popular.

For over 15 years, Dixie worked with horses, grooming, breeding, training, and even showing them. She proudly notes that she was part of the team that sold the first \$1M Arabian mare, "Heritage Desiree," in 1980. In 1993, though, Dixie chose to leave her successful career because of the widespread abuse of horses that she saw done by other trainers and handlers.

Another chapter began: a boyfriend introduced Dixie to golf, and his golfing buddies put together a set of clubs for her. With lessons, after only a short time, she was hitting 250-yd. drives, but not always down the middle of the fairway. Just like she learned

about horses, she practiced, practiced, and then practiced some more at the driving range. As Dixie now says, "It was like a new job for me." Towards the end of the year, after only nine months, she broke 80.

A year later, after Dixie's handicap dropped from 28 to 18 in a month, the boys convinced her to enter the 1994 LA City Women's Golf Tournament at Rancho Park. On the final day, she shot a stellar 89, net 60, and won the Women's Flight Championship. Dixie admits that, even though she was a long hitter, her short game needed plenty of work.

Playing and practicing religiously, Dixie became a scratch golfer in just two years and turned professional in 1998 at the age of 39. Just before, she attempted to qualify for the 1997 US Open Championship but lost in a playoff against six other women.



Dixie, far right, runner-up in the 2023 LPGA Western Section Championship Senior Division and 3rd Place in the 2023 Northwest Women's Open Senior Division

As a pro, Dixie first played the Futures Tour, the feeder tour for the LPGA. She won the Northwest Women's Open in 2006. At age 43, she would eventually play in a few LPGA Legends events, a version of the Men's Senior Tour. Dixie's favorite memory is winning the Northwest Women's Open a second time in 2021, as well as finishing several times in the Top Ten on the LPGA Teaching Division, Western Section. She was a fierce competitor and still thrives on competition.

While still participating in selected tour events, in 2001 Dixie decided to begin teaching golf. She started at Twin Lakes Golf Club in Santa Barbara and soon became passionate about her new career change.

Even after hip and knee replacement surgeries in 2010-11, Dixie continued to compete in tournaments and teach.

Today, Dixie relishes the challenge of helping people become better golfers. Her patience and feeling for the game are her strengths, along with her warm personality, engaging smile, and wealth of golf experience.



Doing what she loves

Dixie came to SCSH in 2014. After convincing BFF Sandra Palmer to join her in 2022, the duo helped develop a fantastic teaching platform that includes individual and group clinics for any level of golf skill. Shadow Hills GC is proud to say, "We are the only club that has not one, but two, LPGA stalwarts on our teaching staff."

Dixie just can't get away from her "ranch" beginnings, though. Her home is at the Ivey Ranch Golf & Country Club, which was originally a cattle ranch.

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GROWING UP IN ASTORIA

Family Safaris to Jones Beach

BY CARL RIGOLI

Summers in New York City were hot and humid, so the big question was: where can we go to escape the brutal weather? The most popular place to go was Jones Beach, located on Long Island. It was about an hour's drive from Astoria, Queens, where my family lived.

In the early 1950s, it was the latest fad for families in my community to truck out to Jones Beach on Sundays to beat the heat for the day. My father had this ingenious idea to create an Italian Safari auto caravan (like the old wagon trains) with family and friends, following one another to the beach in search of a spot to enjoy a homemade seven-course Sicilian feast. In preparation, my mother, aunts, grandmother, and our friends would begin cooking their special Italian dishes for the gang a few days before the big event.

My father, Vinnie, strategically planned our journey so no one would get lost. In addition, Vinnie had to figure out how he would fit all my mother's food into our 1951 Chevrolet. God forbid if anything was left behind - he would never hear the end of it. We loaded the car with a big pot of gravy (Italian for tomato sauce) and meatballs, Italian sausage, and another pot with water for boiling the pasta; then came various Italian cheeses, cold cuts, beer, wine, soda, my mother, my sister, and me.

The rest of the family had to load up their own stuff and line up in front of our house when we were ready to leave, then follow us. Vinnie's car was the pathfinder. I forgot to mention that my uncle Vito created a sign that he hung on the back bumper on his car that read, "BEWARE, THE ITALIANS FROM ASTORIA ARE COMING."

When we arrived at Jones Beach, my mother and the other women scurried over to the beach to find the





right place to pitch our umbrellas, set up barbeques, and lay out our spread. The men and kids helped carry all the precious food and drinks to the compound. As soon as everything was set up and secure, all the kids went into the ocean to cool off. Of course, several parents kept their eyes on us, occasionally screaming, "You're swimming too far out! Come back closer to shore!" By the way, the lookouts didn't know how to swim. After a couple of hours swimming, we were all starving and happy to be told it was time to come in and, "Manga, manga!"

Our compound on the beach boasted an Italian feast with the typical delicious-looking foods waiting to be devoured. The barbecues were lined up and fired up with sausage and peppers cooking on one and boiling pasta water on another. The aroma of all the food, and the cooling ocean breeze, made us all forget about the hot, sticky city and enjoy our time on the Long Island Riviera. Everyone was starving, ready to partake of the Italian feast.

If I could have taken an aerial picture of everyone gathered with their clan, it would be very similar to The Feast of San Gennaro on Mulberry Street in Little Italy, like in the Godfather movie. Everyone was stuffed from the feast and rested awhile. We kids were told to wait 30 minutes before swimming again because we might drown (old wives' tale), after which we spent the rest of the time swimming and having fun.

In all the surrounding compounds, the fathers were snoring so loud that it sounded like a bad version of Tarantella. I have never heard so much badly out-oftune snoring, grunting, farting, and other disturbing sounds. It was obvious the men were resting up before packing up the cars to begin the wagon train back home to our very hot and humid city neighborhood.

We were already looking forward to next Sunday's beach adventure. On the way home, the sign on the back of Uncle Vito's car read. "We had a great time today at Jones Beach and we are friendlier and content." Buonasera, tutti amici!

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INTRODUCING ONE AMAZING COUPLE

STORY AND PHOTOS BY TERRI FITZSIMMONS

As I was doing research on Blue Zones - regions in the world where people live longer than average - I became intrigued with what the Okinawans call moais (small closely-knit groups of people who support one another). To my surprise, I found that we have such groups right in here in SCSH. For instance, I have become friends with many of the people who use the pool at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. We check up on one another, enjoy get-togethers, and support each other.

Another such group is The Golden Seniors Social Club that was just formed in October 2023. Most members range in age from their 80s to 90s, and one just turned 100 in April. I attended the club's Halloween social, and one couple caught my attention right away: Jerry and Jan Selinfreund (aged 88 and 74).



Jan and Jerry Selinfreund

Jerry and Jan moved here four years ago from Colorado, where Jerry had spent 45 years as a real estate agent. (Jerry's eyes twinkled as he said with pride, "I ran the largest real estate company in Colorado.") Jan was a medical research scientist until Jerry convinced her to join him in the real estate business, where she worked alongside him for 35 years. They got to know our valley by attending LPGA tournaments here for 15 years.

I asked Jan why they chose to live in SCSH, and she said that they didn't choose it; it chose them! They found a house on an amazing street, Calle Los Arboles, Jerry told me. They and their 11 neighbors form a close-knit community. Each month they have a party, taking turns to host it. They check up on one another regularly and are always available if someone needs help.

When the Selinfreunds first arrived, Jan was moving a large storage box. One of their neighbors came over and said, "You do not do that here," and moved it for her. He told Jerry afterward, "You know where to find me. I am the only neighbor with grass." Jerry laughed as he replied, "You had better identify that. Grass has different meanings!"

Jerry and Jan moved to SCSH during the pandemic lockdown and, after a few days of cabin fever, they decided to take a walk down their street. "It took 45 minutes to walk past five houses!" Jan told me. All their neighbors called out to greet them as they strolled by. Over the past four years, the neighbors have attended plays together, and meet regularly for lunch.

When Jerry told me about his son, Mike, there was so much pride in his voice as he described how he had graduated at the top of his class at Southwestern Law School in LA, excelling at everything he did. All the time he remained humble and never wanted to take

credit for his accomplishments because he said most of it came easy for him.

Mike took his dad to major sporting events, including the LA Lakers Championship. Jerry also toured the trophy room where one trophy was inscribed with his son's name. Jerry asked Mike why he never mentioned it and Mike answered, "Don't praise me, Dad. Our school also had the biggest loser: Marsha Clark, the prosecutor in the OJ Simpson trial."

Mike had a special relationship with his parents but, sadly, he recently passed away at the age of 64. Jerry told me his son once said, "I want to find a woman just like Jan, Dad. She is smart. She is pretty. Dad, you overachieved." Jerry whispered, "Yes, but let's not tell Jan, okay?" That's when I learned that Jan was Mike's stepmother.

Describing how he and Jan spend their time, Jerry said in an animated voice, "We are the Rock and Rollers! We have seen John Legend, Lady Gaga, Foreigner, and Bruno Mars in Vegas. We are really looking forward to seeing Stevie Nix." Jerry explained, "It's only 4-1/2 hours away. We can drive the round trip in one day!" The couple also love the theater and attend many concerts at the McCallum Theatre and Fantasy Springs Casino.

Unfortunately, over the past few years, Jerry has fallen 61 times. He says his physician finally convinced him to use a walker, but this does not deter him. Jan drives him to the gym every morning where he completes two miles on the track.

Jerry and Jan also have a rich history with the military. They were both guest speakers at the Golden Seniors November social and shared their experiences with the Non-Commissioned Officers Association. Jerry was instrumental in Project Warm Heart, which assists families of servicemembers stationed at Fort Carson in Colorado Springs. He also participated in the Warrior Bonfire Program, which reaches out to seriously wounded Purple Heart recipients. For his efforts, Jerry received an international award twice, the only American to do so. After their presentation, Jan gave medals to three of the vets in the group.



Bud Butler, Bob Swain, and Fred Elg

I asked Jan what advice she has for other seniors. Without hesitation, she answered, "Knock on doors! Meet your neighbors! Just do it."

An inspiration to the rest of us, Jerry and Jan continue to live life to the fullest. I always look forward to meeting up with Jerry at the gym; and I anticipate great conversations over lunch with my new friend, Jan.

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THRIFT STORE SHOPPING

BY MARIE LOGAN

I think I may be addicted to thrift store shopping. I have often wondered what compels me to dig through the racks of previously worn clothing when modern shopping is just one click away on Amazon. I rationalized this habit for years while attending Burning Man because the aesthetic for costuming is: the crazier and more unusual, the better.

Thrift stores are marvelous places to find fascinating and unusual items discarded by others. I once found a red-felted and shell-adorned beanie with a very long tassel. I imagined it had been used in some kind of Sufi whirling dervish dance. It was the perfect complement to the unusual red satin vest I found with a large, embroidered bug on the back.



My Cootie ensemble

I love the way these items bring history alive. Through a little research, I learned that my bug vest was actually depicting a "cootie." It was the costume of the Military Order of the Cootie, an auxiliary of the VFW formed in the 1920s to honor those who volunteered in veterans' programs in places like hospitals. The organization was known for good humor and fun. The cootie, however, was not just any bug; it was what the soldiers in WW I called the head lice they encountered. "Cooties" - good humor, indeed!

I once found a vintage, adult-sized version of my favorite girlhood dress in pale pink leather with fancy buttons and patch pockets at the front. I loved that dress and wore it to kindergarten at every opportunity; my mom finally had to throw it away. She told me it had been lost in the laundry. I systematically searched the hamper for days until I finally gave up, defeated, and crushed. All these years later, I was finally delighted to be spiritually reunited with that idyllic vision of me in that miniature pink leather dress.



Reunited with my pink leather dress

Other times, shopping is a practical treasure hunt. We hosted a "Wig" costume party for 200 people, and we always awarded prizes for the best costumes in various categories. I got the idea to make trophies using Barbie doll heads with much-loved, crazy, overbrushed hair. The search was on! Over one weekend, I giddily collected Barbies of all types and hair colors. But I drew the line there... I left it to my then-husband to do the decapitations.

I often feel nostalgic when I see interesting items in thrift stores. I buy things that lead to new collections, like the time I found an antique portable Victrola which led to a collection of vintage 78 rpm records. Frank Sinatra and Sarah Vaughan became my new idols. This was fantastic because it gave me a place to play my dad's old childhood records including a favorite called "Animal Supermarket," which featured a little gray squirrel who joined a boy named Johnny to do his shopping at a supermarket staffed by various animals. Johnny repeatedly sang a delightful song in order

not to forget his shopping list, which Dad sang to us

Dressed like it's 1965

kids at every opportunity. "Apples, tomatoes, lemons and cheese, cake and potatoes, a can of peas, raisins and currants, a bag of cranberries, honey and jam, and a box of strawberries...and there is nothing more I have to buy at the grocery store."

Another time, I found the perfect, authentic vintage undergarments to complement my 1960s dress when I entered a contest to Dress Like It's 1965. I fashioned my hair into a perfectly coiffed shoulder-length flip. I wore authentic eyeglass frames and alligator shoes, and I carried a matching alligator handbag with my white-gloved hand. All that aside, I think the undergarments delivered the first-place win! I imagined I could have been cast in the television series Mad Men. They don't make girdles and brassieres like they used to.

Then, when I retired and moved to the desert from a coastal environment where puffy coats and cashmere sweaters were the uniform year-round, I was desperate to buy skorts, dresses, and golf shirts. My faithful thrift stores delivered. Now my closet is full. I have everything one would need to live by the sea or in the desert, attend an art festival, or dress for Halloween.

So why am I still compelled to squeeze a quick stop at the thrift store into any outing? Anything and everything is possible there. While browsing, my mind goes on an excursion, imagining how and when the item was used, who owned it, and how I might use it. Being on a pensioner's income, I try to limit my purchases these days, but there's nothing quite like the thrill of discovery. Look at that old Bell & Howell Super 8 movie projector...maybe I could play my great-grandmother's vacation films. Hmm. Do I even still have those reels?

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RAISING THE BAR AT 75+ Bob Firring Greets The Day With Gusto

BY AGGIE JORDAN | PHOTOS BY ROBERT DELAURENTI

Where does he get his energy? I have interviewed a number of people who have impressed me with their 75+ energy. Bob Firring is very high on that list. Many of you have surely met Bob in one of the wealth of contributions he has made to our Sun City Shadow Hills community and beyond. Since he purchased a home in 2011, well before he retired in 2015 as a financial advisor for Wells Fargo, Bob has spread his time and energy, giving to SCSH and Indio.

Podcasts



Podcast Bob

Bob began a podcast in 2016 to highlight activities of interest to SCSH residents. Among his more than 400 podcasts, he has hosted local community leaders from Indio and Riverside County, HOA Board of Directors and Committee Chairs on topics of immediate interest, and residents who have made their own mark in their careers or here at SCSH. Why podcasts?

I listened to podcasts as I was driving here from LA. One day it occurred to me that SCSH should do a podcast. My initial thought was that it would be an easy way for prospective buyers to learn about our community while they were driving or at their homes. Once the development sold out, the focus changed to things I thought residents would be interested in.

Read With Me



Lynda Cordova, Read with Me, and Bob Firring

Are you one of the volunteers that Bob recruited for Read With Me in the Richard Oliphant or Kennedy Elementary Schools? Bob proudly tells us,

This is a program where English-speaking adults, like us, work with kids from Spanishspeaking homes to learn to read. My assigned school is Richard Oliphant, but I was able to recruit so many that some were sent to Kennedy. The volunteers love doing that.

Read With Me continues to need volunteers. If you wish to help, check out the local school district principals or www.readwithmevolunteers.com.

Indio Rotary Club



Dennis Sheehan, President-elect; Peter Sturgeon, CEO JFK Foundation, Program Speaker; and Bob Firring.

Bob wanted to meet some people in the greater Indio community, so he joined the local Rotary Club in 2016. Three years later, they needed a Program Chair. This position requires the holder to secure monthly speakers for the club. That seems like a difficult job to me; why would Bob volunteer? He explained,

It is the hardest job, and most people hate doing it. I like it because it forces me to pay attention to what is happening in the desert, and I can book the people I'm interested in hearing. Sometimes, I can get the speakers to do podcasts, too, if I think the subject would interest the residents.

The View Advisory Committee

In 2017 Bob began to write stories to submit to the editor of *The View* for review and acceptance. The stories of people's successes, places to visit, and unusual events caught the attention of Lee Powell, one of the editors. At that time, Bob was not working with Word, the basis for View submissions, and this proved to be a high learning curve for Bob. With Lee's assistance, Bob became one of the most prolific and experienced writers among our View volunteers. Bob commented about his membership on The View Advisory Committee, "This has introduced me to a fabulous group of people whom I serve with. It forces me to learn things and pay attention to other residents with interesting stories."

Another Learning Curve

Steep learning curves do not intimidate Bob Firring. At 76, Bob studied for six months to get a real estate license and pass three preliminary tests to be eligible to apply for the State exam. He is now a fully licensed real estate agent, specializing in our Sun City Shadow Hills, a community he loves and knows very well.

Why this challenge of selling real estate? Bob had been a very successful financial advisor for 42 years, so I assumed rightly that it wasn't making money that motivated him.

It enables me to engage with friends here whom I otherwise wouldn't have a reason to contact. Over a recent weekend, I sent out over 100 emails telling friends what I was doing. That brought many conversations with people I hadn't communicated with recently. I'm already having fun, which was the reason I started.

In these senior years, Bob has given himself plenty of purpose to rise in the morning, not only to greet the day with joy but to spend it meaningfully with us, his neighbors and friends.

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WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN AND WHAT WAS

BY MARC GOLDBERG



The 10-year-old "dreamer"

How might my life have turned out differently with a single different turn? Lately, I've thought about what might have been - from the mundane to the serious. Here's my story:

Like many young boys in New Jersey in the 1960s, I dreamed about playing for the New York Yankees. I was the best fielder on my Little League team. Then



I faced a great pitcher. The first pitch was a fastball that I never saw. The second pitch was a curve that nearly hit me in the head before breaking over the plate. The third pitch was a fastball even faster than the first. The pitcher eventually played for the San Diego Padres.

As I headed back to the bench, I knew two things: my Yankee dreams were over, and I would be a member of the New York Philharmonic. I was the best trumpet player from all the Junior High Schools in central New Jersey. And it happened again. The High School New Jersey Symphony Orchestra conductor glared at me when I missed an entry at a rehearsal, "Mr. Goldberg, are you going to be a musician, or will you play weddings and bar mitzvahs the rest of your life?" He was right; I wasn't good enough. It was a great way to earn money through college including a summer job playing in New York's Catskill Mountains. Dirty dancing, anybody?



On to college at Clark University in Worcester, MA. I got a great liberal arts education, majoring in history, and then law school in Des Moines, IA, in 1973. I should have taken a year off, but I was in a hurry. After three terms of never understanding some of the more esoteric points of the law, the Dean and I had a frank talk. (see also: "pack up your knives and go") and in 1976, I was cast adrift among the hogs, corn, and soybeans.

In haste, I married the wrong woman for the wrong reasons and moved to her hometown of Portland, OR. I got an MBA at Portland State University, then followed by a boring marketing job at a big corporation for the money and a part-time teaching gig where I'd earned my Master's. In February 1983, I was offered a one-year contract to teach marketing full-time. I quit my job, took a 40% pay cut, and left my wife - all in the same week. My co-workers thought I was nuts.

Teaching wasn't something I did—it was somebody I became. After a year, my department chair invited me to cover for another marketing professor who was taking a sabbatical, which led to 15 one-year contracts. I didn't know much about advertising when I was asked to chair the startup of the Advertising Management program, so I interned with two local ad agencies and put the program together.

Within a few years, I was mentoring teams of students to victories in regional and national advertising competitions. Unfortunately, without tenure or job security, I didn't fit the new dean's vision for the school. I worked for a former student as Director of Marketing of his new online startup, wine.com, during the first "dot com" boom in 1999 for 18 months (or 18 years in dog time).

Later I moved to the Oregon coast, got my real estate license in 2004 and specialized in the second home needs of the seriously wealthy between 2005 -2008. I invested enough from both those jobs to retire on my university pension in March 2008 when I turned 58.

My personal life got even better: Following a second marriage and divorce, I met Carey Thompson in the old-fashioned way (Match.com), and we got married on New Year's Eve 2007. We moved back to Woodburn, OR, and when she retired a few years later,

we picked Sun City Shadow Hills. Goodbye rain, hello sunshine and 12 months a year of golf. Now, all I need is that elusive hole in one.

Frank Sinatra was right: "Regrets, I've had a few, but then again, too few to mention."



Still waiting for that elusive hole-in-one

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Happy time together (Michael Cross and Jackie Stiff)

SPECIAL TIME TOGETHER

BY BARA ROSENHECK | PHOTOS BY ROBERT DELAURENTI

My husband and I really enjoy each other's company, and we are so grateful for our time together. We love doing things side by side. Luckily, we have many interests and are kept quite busy with our hobbies and commitments. And that's both the good and the bad news.

Because time is so valuable, we try to schedule our various activities so we can share experiences. Recently, we each received a suggestion from our physicians that we start a program of physical activity to relieve some of our aches and pains. Perfect, we thought. Let's schedule our sessions at the same time and place. Oh, goodie! One more thing we can do together to help us stay healthy. We've seen many

happy couples working out together and believed this would be a good thing. My advice to you is: Never, ever, do this! This was a real learning experience.

First, let me explain that the term Personal Trainer supposedly stands for someone to help with your exercise, but it really stands for pain and torture and nothing else. If you can avoid it, I caution you not to schedule it with, or near anyone you like. Even if you work with different trainers in different areas of the facility. It may negatively affect your relationship.

"You're doing it wrong. Stand up straight!" These words came not from my Pain and Torture Trainer but from my husband, whose raised voice carried from the other end of the room!

Similarly, a few minutes later I recognized that he was doing an exercise incorrectly. Believing I had already mastered that routine, I directed him, "Bend over lower. The way you're doing it won't help." His Pain and Torturer rolled her eyes.

Returning home, we reviewed our verbal interactions. "You were a bullying know-it-all. Don't do that again." All's fair in love and war. We kissed and made up.

As instructed, it was time to practice our exercises at home the following day. I'll share just a brief outline of our conversation:

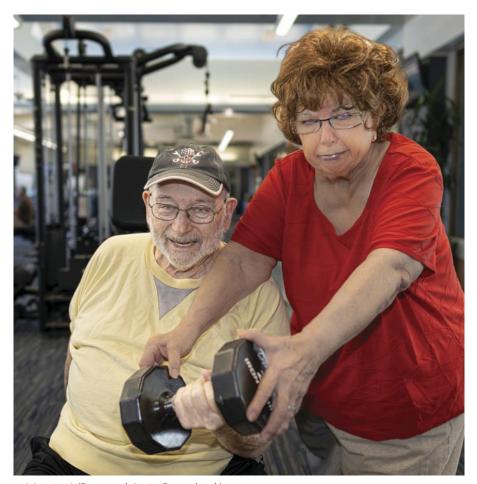
"You're in my space. Move over!"

"I'm supposed to do this with my eyes closed, and I can't see where you are."

"Go into another room."



Do it my way (Beth and Norm Bolduc)



It's mine! (Bara and Arnie Rosenheck)

"I thought we wanted to do this together."

After bumbling, stumbling, and knocking into each other, we decided to give it a rest and discontinue until the next scheduled appointment.

The following day, upon arriving at the Pain and Torture site, we noticed our trainers were somewhat apprehensive. Ever so gently, they let us know that we would be working in two separate exercise rooms, each directly across the hall from the other.

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Salvation!



THE 10K QUESTION Save Steps or Count Steps?

BY KRIS DOWNEY

Back in the day, I supported myself through college by working as a waitress. Working in a restaurant not only fed me and paid my rent, it taught me the efficiency of conserving my steps, a lesson my FitBit is determined to undo.

My meal ticket, literally, was Bill Knapp's, a popular family restaurant five minutes from my apartment. It was a great place for a college kid to work. I got one free meal a day, early closing time, and no alcohol. The lack of alcohol lessened the likelihood of an overly friendly customer following me home. That was a good thing.

Knapp's was known for three things: fantastic chocolate cake, disgusting ham croquettes, and waitresses who could carry five cups of coffee at once. All three were very popular.

At Knapp's, efficiency was an important part of the job. In fact, you were in big trouble if caught walking through the dining room with less than two coffee pots, one leaded and one unleaded, and a pitcher of water. If you were seen wasting steps, strutting as they called it, with nothing in your hands, you were written up.

Now, my FitBit is trying to retrain me. Everyone knows the goal of a FitBit is to make you feel guilty about your pathetic step count. FitBit doesn't care if your shopping list was written to minimize mindless meandering. All FitBit cares about is your step count, and the closer that number is to 10k the better. So, in an attempt to get my step count out of the embarrassing zone, I try to no longer save steps. What the heck was I saving them for anyway?

But old habits die hard. I'm still the woman who lugs multiple overstuffed grocery bags full of sweet potatoes, apples, Ragu sauce, Bush's baked beans, Campbell's tomato soup, several bottles of Josh



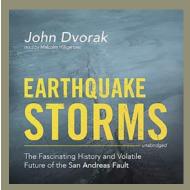
Kris showing her talent for saving steps and proving she's still got it.

Cabernet Sauvignon, and 5 lbs. of organic bread flour on my first trip from the car. On my second trip, I carry one bag with potato chips and pretzels. I've also been known to balance a full glass of wine in one hand, my water bottle in the other, my laptop secured under my arm, and my iPhone tucked under my chin in one trip. On the second trip, I carry a chocolate chip cookie on a napkin. Hey, at least I made two trips.

I'm happy to say I'm not alone in my struggle. Despite the worldwide step-counting obsession, I've met several other former waitresses suffering from similar misguided step-saving efficiencies. You can spot us trying to trick our FitBits by shaking our wrists. And for the record, I can still carry five cups of coffee at once.

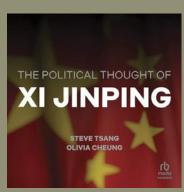
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NON-FICTION ADDICTION

BY JHAN SCHMITZ

In March 2016, I founded the SCSH Non-Fiction Book Group with Rachel Rose (who has since left the community) as a non-chartered, informal group. My wife, Connie Brennan, who co-founded SCSH's Readers Ink fiction book club in 2005, inspired us. We're a house divided by a common love of books.

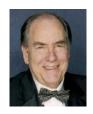
Our objective was to bring together those few souls in the community who were hardy and willing enough to read and discuss sometimes challenging and controversial nonfiction. We first discussed How We Got To Now: Six Innovations that Made the Modern World by Steven Johnson, which is still one of our favorites. Since then, we've met monthly year-round and covered 85 books, reading over 5,000 pages of history, current events, biographies, science, and technology.

Initially, we usually met outside the Bistro at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse and on Zoom during the pandemic. But this space proved inadequate as we grew—attendance is now 15-20 each month—and it was HOT during the summer. So, it was time to reorganize as a Chartered Club or perhaps join Readers Ink.

In mid-2023, our group, renamed "Non-Fiction Addiction," came under the wing of an expanded Readers Ink. As their "wholly owned subsidiary," we now enjoy the comfort of the La Jolla Room at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. For our meeting dates, please see the Club News section in The View under Readers Ink.

We're developing our booklist for the 2024/2025 season, which runs from July through June. So far, our potential selections include the birth of forensic medicine (The Poisoner's Handbook, by Deborah Blum); the history and volatility of the San Andreas Fault (Earthquake Storms, by John Dvorak); the ongoing tech revolution (Elon Musk, by Walter Isaacson); and the global implications of Chinese politics (Political Thought of Xi Jinping, by Steve Tsang and Olivia Cheung).

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The Watts Towers are a series of 17 interconnected architectural sculptural towers, showcasing individual mosaics.

In 1921, Italian immigrant Simon Rodia purchased a piece of land in Los Angeles known as Watts. He was 4' 10", loved the opera, hated the Catholic Church, and started building what became known as The Towers after he quit drinking and his marriage ended. For 34 years, Rodia worked alone on his masterpiece, building it himself by hand with no machine tools, scaffolding, or written plans. He used pottery shards, dishes, glass bottles, tile, and whatever else his neighbors would give him. He would lay the materials out on the ground and then carry them up

years, he gave the property to a neighbor and left for Martinez, CA, never to return. Rodia never gave



in the city.

the same answer twice when asked why he was building it, so his motive will always remain a mystery.

The Towers fell into disrepair, and in the 1950s the LA City Council wanted them torn down because they feared for public safety. A preservationist backlash started, and Nicholas King and William Cartwright were able to purchase the Towers for \$3,000 (with a \$20 down payment) with the intention of preserving them.

The tallest tower stands 99-1/2 ft. The City sought to prove them unsafe by attaching a cable to each tower and, using a crane, exerting 10,000 lbs. of lateral

force to try to pull them apart. When they didn't budge, the City was forced to admit they were safe.

A community center was later built, and children's classes began there. LA legend Nipsey Hussle (Grammy Award winning rapper and clothing entrepreneur) took music classes there as a child and said those classes had a direct effect on his later success. After his murder in 2019, an altar was built at the base of The Towers in his honor.



The Towers are now a National Historic Landmark, a California Historical Monument, and one of nine folk art sites in the National Register of Historic Places in Los Angeles. The facility is under contract to the LA County Museum of Art, which directs tours and manages it. The Towers are considered a prime example of "Art Brut," or "raw art" created by an artist without formal training. This type of art seems to be more popular in Europe than in the U.S. The day I visited, almost all the others there were Europeans.

Because of the scope and complexity of the Towers, a static photo does not do them justice. For some amazing drone footage, visit this YouTube link:

youtu.be/snp1dFhpZSg

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ESTYLE

CONNIE KING LIFESTYLE DIRECTOR



Residents attended a Real Estate Fraud presentation on March 5, and the feedback was, "excellent and informative!" Stay tuned for our next presentation on Sweetheart Scams. It should be very interesting.

Thank you for submitting your articles and photos as part of the community's 20th anniversary. Each month, we will feature stories from residents sharing their experiences during the early years at Sun City Shadow Hills. Here's one from Aggie Jordan.





Real Estate Fraud presentation



"We Won the Lottery!!!" - Aggie Jordan

It's hard to believe that it has been 20 years since my husband, Robert, and I discovered Sun City Shadow Hills. We were searching to escape the eight months of snow and the 10,000-foot altitude of Crested Butte, Colorado, which threatened Robert's vision by causing oxygen to be lost to his optic nerves. For some months, we had been traveling south of the Mason-Dixon Line

from the Atlantic to the Pacific, looking for a place that would speak to us.

In March 2003, we arrived in Palm Desert and fell in love with the beauty of the desert temperatures in the 70s, numerous over 55 communities, magnificent flowers in bloom, the mountains hanging high above us but not dangerous enough to deprive Robert of the needed oxygen for his optic nerves. Without hesitation, we secured a rental in Palm Desert for January and February 2004.

A gentleman we met during a tour of the Mountain View community had told us to visit SCSH and consider it an investment. We followed his advice the following weekend but were not impressed with the unfinished models. But while we were there, we found an announcement that the Beach Boys were giving a Sunday afternoon concert the following Sunday, part of the "Grand Opening" celebration with burgers and hot dogs.

We decided the concert would be worth a trip. What a surprise! The models were finished and they were beautiful. This time, the San Miguel plan spoke to us, and the salesman wasted no time convincing us to fill out the paperwork and place a \$10,000 check in his hands to enter a lottery. We wanted a San Miguel golf course lot on the southwest side of Camino Santa Lucia, later to become Camino San Lucas. But 44 others also wanted one of 11 golf course properties available there.

Yes, they were taking bid offers. The prices had already gone up \$5000 on the model we wanted from the previous week, and they would go up the following week and every two weeks as long as the demand was so great.

We wanted that house, so we laid down a check, with little hope but great anxiety. The following Monday, we received a call. WE WON THE LOTTERY!!! Our ten grand went toward the purchase of the home, which would not be finished until May 2005, 15 months away. We needed to get out of Crested Butte as soon as possible.

Lady Luck proved to be our friend. By July, the builder, Pulte Homes, had hired four new crews and our house would be finished by December 2004.

We are so grateful that our quick and risky decision to lay out \$10,000 has given us 20 years of a very full and satisfying life. We love our home, the community, and so many wonderful friends.





SCSH BRIDGE CLUB

The Bridge Club was the first club formed at Sun City Shadow Hills.



YEAH!

Usher's "Yeah!" topped the US Billboard Hot 100 chart for 12 consecutive weeks.



POSTAGE STAMPS

A first class stamp in 2004 cost 37 cents.



FRIENDS

The final episode of Friends airs, drawing 66 million viewers.



Correction:

Blue Zone Article - March Edition

An article in the March edition of The View mentioned Jerry walking in the gym every morning. Unfortunately, the author called him Dan. If you see this man in the mornings, please address him by his real name!



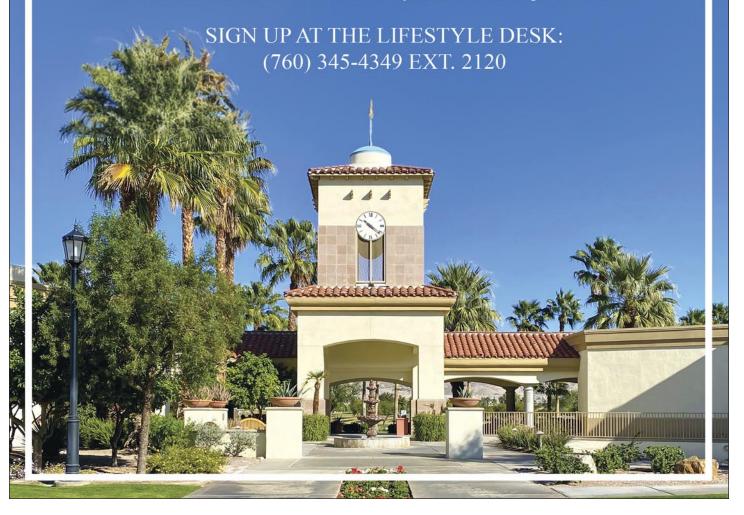


NEW HOMEOWNER **ORIENTATION**

THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2024 AT 10:00 A.M. MONTECITO CLUBHOUSE BALLROOM

The HOA and Lifestyle will host the New Homeowners Orientation on April 25 in the ballroom. We host a Get Acquainted half hour for residents to gather at 9:30 am and the meeting will start at 10:00 am.

The orientation is an opportunity for you to learn more about your community. All Department Heads will be there to provide details about their department duties and responsibilities. Please RSVP at the front desk or call to let us know if you will be attending the orientation.



AMPHITHEATRE

AMERICA'S LONGEST RUNNING OUTDOOR PLAY AND THE OFFICIAL CALIFORNIA STATE PLAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

\$105.00 PER PERSON • DEPARTURE TIME: 11:45 A.M

Includes: Transportation, Ticket for performance, Kiwanis Club Ranch Hand BBQ Lunch Menu: BBQ Chicken, Ranch Style Beans, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Dessert & Beverage Extra Conveniences: Comfy Seat Cushion Rental and Souvenir Program.

Seating: Lower-Level Section B





WWW.SCHSCA.COM/TICKETS

Sign up starts: Monday, January 22, 2024 • Guest Sign up: Monday, February 12, 2024 • End: Monday, April 1, 2024





WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024 \$45 PER PERSON [NON REFUNDABLE]

PRICE INCLUDES TRANSPORTATION, SNACKS ON BUS. LUNCH ON YOUR OWN.



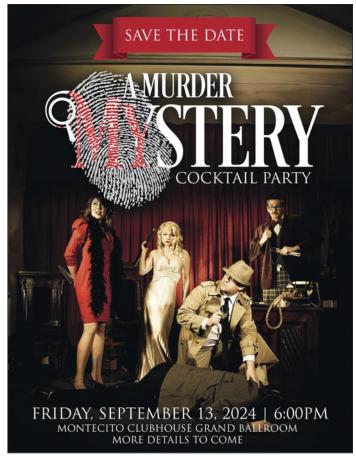
ENTRY TO SAWDUST FESTIVAL IS ON YOUR OWN.

Bus will depart the Montecito Clubhouse: 9:00am Arrival time to Montecito Clubhouse: 7:00pm

Sign ups begin April 15, Guest Sign up start May, 6 Sign ups end Monday, June 24. online at www.scshca.com/tickets









The Classic Movie Club Celebrates Academy Award Winning & Nominated Films

Free screenings every other Friday at 4:00pm in the Santa Rosa Clubhouse's Monterey Room

See your favorite movies on a huge screen that are shown using a new 4K (highest definition) video projector. We run the latest restored or remastered Blu-ray editions of all movies. Have your picture taken holding a real Oscar! For more information, contact: Josh Kanin (562-787-4848) or Bill Hooper (310-293-9597)

April 5 - "Fargo" (1996)

April 19 - Celebrating National Humor Month. . . Laugh It Up With: "The Odd Couple" (1968) starring Jack Lemmon and Walter Matthau





Proudly Presents a Special Fundraising Event. In support of Hadassah Hospital Emergency Fund



Special Musical Variety Entertainment Performance by Wendy and Rik

> Sunday, April 14, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Held at Sun City Shadow Hills Montecito Clubhouse (Main Ballroom): 80888 Sun City Blvd., Indio, CA 92203



Wendy Becker and Rik Howard, a celebrated couple, delights audiences with their charismatic engaging and inspiring shows that keep them a highly sought-after act. In the style of great married musical couples, like Steve and Eydie or Sonny and Cher, Wendy and Rik take you on a joyful musical journey through song and dance. With a vast repertoire ranging from the Beatles to Broadway, hits from the 50's, 60's, 70's to today, Wendy and Rik captivate groups of all ages.

Registration: \$50 when you register by April 7 • \$60 after April 7

Sponsorship Opportunities:

All sponsorships include listing in the program and reserved seating.

\$90 (includes one preferred admission) • \$180 (includes two preferred admissions) \$270 (includes three preferred admissions) • \$360 (includes four preferred admissions)

Event Chairs: Nancy Singer & Debbie Orgen

Register here:

events.hadassah.org/WendyandRik2024



TUTTA BELLA VINO

Que-Syrah-Shiraz

Saturday, April 20th, 7pm Montecito Clubhouse Ballroom

Please join us for this taste off between Syrah and Shiraz. Space is limited, so don't delay!

Registration flyers will be available at the Montecito Clubhouse & Tutta Bella Vino webpage www.scshca.com/tuttabella on March 16th. Registration Deadline: April 13th, 2024 or until sold out For more info: tuttabellavino@gmail.com

Sun City Shadow Hills THAT`S ENTERTAINMENT (LU&

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, April 17, 2024 • 7:00 pm Reserved Seating • Tickets on Sale April 1

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



A Club for the Young-At-Heart Gathering Montly for Fun and Socializing CSSC - the only thing missing is YOU!

April is "National Humor Month"

This GSSC event will be chock-full of Fun and Laughter

Tell or listen to funny stories or a joke or two! Invite a friend or neighbor to join in the fun.

Let's Celebrate Humor Month Together!

When: Wednesday, April 24, 2024

Time: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

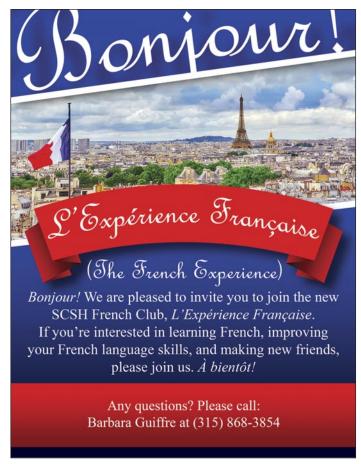
Place: Montecito Clubhouse

Capistrano Room



Contact Mia Lynott, President, at 760-685-4468 or Terri Fitzsimmons, Vice President, at 951-330-9910 to RSVP or ask any questions.







MEDITATION OVER MEDICATION CLUB

You are invited to join

Guided Meditation Sessions with Vib Verma

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

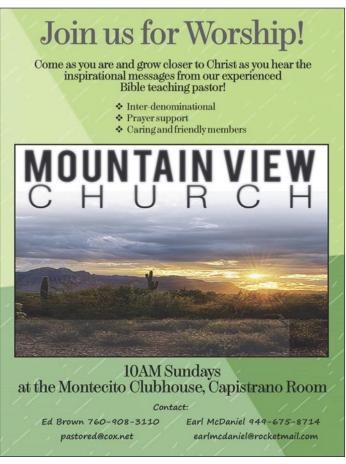
Vib features a unique topic each session. He will change your life.

- · You will learn how to be happy and peaceful.
- You will learn to be positive.
- · You will learn to generate love and compassion for all.

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

For more information call Camille Brownson: 760-673-6694 or camillebrownson@gmail.com







The Pomettes of Sun City Shadow Hills is a multi-talented, spirited, and committed pom (dance) team whose members are senio (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.



Join in the fun!

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)







Membership Application (for both Performance Team and Supporting Members)



View the

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

READERS INK:

The Sun City Shadow Hills Fiction

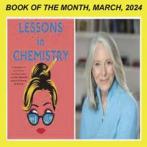


If you have a passion for reading, then our club is for you! We meet every fourth Tuesday of the month in the Capistrano Room in the Montecito Clubhouse at 2:00 pm. Just show up!

After we have an introduction to the book by one of our members, we have a lively discussion and then enjoy a social time, along with door prizes.

For further information: please contact Terri Fitzsimmons: 🕏 fitzsimmonsterri@gmail.com





Sun City Shadow Hills Veterans Club www.scshveteransclub.org

OPEN TO ALL SUN CITY SHADOW HILLS RESIDENTS

Thank you for serving our country and protecting our freedoms!

Sun City Shadow Hills Veterans: Join your Veterans' Club!

- · Monthly interesting and informative speaker presentations
- Stay abreast of your entitled VA benefits
- Meet fellow veterans from your community
- Assist with community events including Memorial Day flag-raising, Veterans' Day potluck dinner, Toys-4-Tots Drive
- Flag Decorations National Holidays



FLAG SALES 2ND FRIDAY MONTHLY Montecito Clubhouse 10:00 am - noon

> Call Larry Smith 714-401-3772

Monthly Meetings: third Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Montecito Clubhouse Cambria Room Veterans' Club Annual Dues - \$10



Combining timeless CCR favorites and Fogerty solo hits, Brad Ford & FORTUNATE SON truly personify the spirit and grit of America's Favorite Rock & Roll Band! This show is for all ages and unites classic rock, country, blues, and folk music fans together like no other tribute act can.

FREE | SOUTH LAWN | DOORS: 6:00PM | SHOW: 7:00PM

DONT FORGET TO BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIR | NO OUTSIDE FOOD OR DRINKS ALLOWED





MANUEL GUADARRAMA I FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

Happy 20-year anniversary, Sun City Shadow Hills!

This month, we are celebrating your 20-year anniversary in style. Lifestyle and Shadows are collaborating to give you a great celebration. On Sunday, April 7, Lifestyle is hosting Concert on the Greens with a tribute to Creedence Clearwater Revival. Doors open at 6:30 pm for you to purchase food and drinks to get the party started.

This is a cash-only event to help the lines move faster. We encourage small notes like \$5, \$10, or \$20. In celebration of your 20 years, Shadows will be selling \$2 draft beer while supplies last.

Please visit our website theshadowsrestaurant.com for up-to-date information and upcoming events.

Thank you for your continued support.

Shadows Restaurant

(760) 772-4342

Monday: Closed

Tuesday – Sunday: 8 am – 8 pm

Happy Hour: 2 – 5 pm



SUNDAY	1 MONDAY	2 TUESDAY	3 WEDNESDAY
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April 2024

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.scshca.com/tickets. For more information, contact the Lifestyle Desk at 760-345-4349 x 2120.



GOLF OPERATIONS

PHIL VIGIL | GENERAL MANAGER, SHADOW HILLS GOLF CLUB

What a great season! As the warm temperatures rapidly approach, we have a moment to reflect on our amazing season and the fun that was had by our residents. Golf participation on both the North and South Courses was at record levels by our wonderful clubs and residents alike. Our dedicated volunteers, who make all these golf groups a success, enhanced an extremely vibrant schedule.

Shadows Restaurant, the Terrace, and Santa Rosa Bistro were bustling, and busy as hungry residents and golfers enjoyed great food, great drinks, and great service with great friends. If you had the opportunity to enjoy the Montecito Café, we thank you and encourage you to tell your friends and neighbors. On behalf of the Shadow Hills Golf Club and Shadows Restaurant teams, thank you for all your support!

We are also very pleased once again that the North Course has received another Top 25 designation in the United States.

www.golfpass.com/travel-advisor/best-of/golfers-choice-2023-short-courses

As we move into spring and summer, we will start to see the overseeded rye grass transition into our warm season Bermuda. This transition occurs during late April and into early May as the overseeded ryegrass dies off and the Bermuda comes out of dormancy. This transition will give us great Bermuda playing conditions for the summer, leading into our overseeding process again in the fall.

Effective May 1, the South Course will be going back to a "Single Tee" consecutive tee time start which will stay in place through the summer leading up to our golf course openings in November and December.

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







PRO SHOP NEWS

TERRY FERRARO | HEAD GOLF PROFESSIONAL, SHADOW HILLS GOLF CLUB

It's April, which means another season is about to end. This has been a strange season with all the rain and wind. Even with all that, rounds were up and events were full. We have another new face in the cart area: say hello to Aaron.

We had 106 players in the Men's Club Championship with Frank Rosato being the new Champ and with Doug Doell becoming the Green Champion. Congrats to all the winners.

We had one of the best Member/Guest events ever. I would like to thank all the members and volunteers for helping make this one of the best I have ever been involved in. Thanks again to Dave Whitehead for chairing that position. Here are a few results:

- White winners: Dennis Hooper/Jeff Howes
- Green winners: Stu MaClean/Don Klimosko
- White Horse Race: Percy Serrano/Brian Sasada
- Green Horse Race: Doug Doell/Brad Doell
- KP winner: Scott Hood See you on the course!

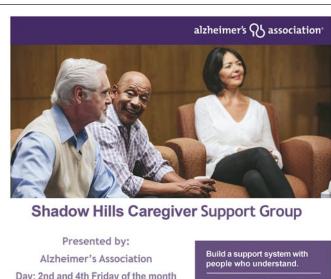
Contact the author at terry.ferraro@troon.com.

Golf Tip of the Month

"People think golf may not be a sport, but it is a sport, and it's demanding. As we get older, we lose both strength and flexibility. Every year we lose a percentage or two. It's never too late or too early to start a lifestyle regime; once you do, you'll enjoy the benefits for years." ~ Bernard Langer

What he's trying to say here is that you should be mindful of what you eat, exercise regularly, and keep those ever-stiffening joints and muscles flexible by stretching them out.





Day: 2nd and 4th Friday of the month Time: 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. Location: La Jolla Room

For more information, please contact Kimberly Spiegel

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AMBER GALINDO FITNESS DIRECTOR

Parkinson's Awareness Month is observed each year in April to shed light on Parkinson's disease, a neurodegenerative disorder that affects millions of people worldwide.

Parkinson's disease is a progressive disorder that primarily affects movement. It often starts with tremors in one hand and progresses to affect other motor functions. Common symptoms include tremors, slowed movement, muscle stiffness, and impaired balance. As the disease advances, individuals may also experience non-motor symptoms such as depression, sleep disturbances, and cognitive changes.

One of the key objectives of Parkinson's Awareness Month is to emphasize the importance of early diagnosis and treatment. With early intervention, individuals with Parkinson's can better manage their symptoms, maintain their quality of life, and potentially slow



the progression of the disease. Additionally, raising awareness helps reduce the stigma surrounding Parkinson's and promotes a better understanding of the challenges faced by those living with the condition.

By participating in Parkinson's Awareness Month, individuals can show their support for the Parkinson's community. Together, we can work towards a future where Parkinson's disease is better understood, effectively treated, and, ultimately, cured.

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PARKINSON'S DISEASE

Source: National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (ninds.nih.gov)

FITNESS CLASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

8:00 AM Yoga; Angel (\$6)

9:00 AM Zumba; Yvette (\$6)

10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Cheryl (\$6)

11:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Erin (\$6)

11:00 AM Reformer Pilates; Cheryl (\$17)

1:00 PM Lively Liners (Beginner)

5:45 PM Pomettes

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

8:00 AM Circuit; Cheryl (\$6)

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

11:00 AM Chair Yoga; Melinda (\$6)

TUESDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

8:00 AM Boxing Blitz; Andrew (Free)

9:00 AM Barre; Eliezer (\$6)

10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Eliezer (\$6)

11:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Cheryl (\$6)

11:00 AM Stretch; Eliezer (\$6)

12:00 PM 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 Total Body Pump; Jessica (Free)

11:00 AM Water Yoga; Melinda (\$6)

WEDNESDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

8:00 AM Silver Fit; Cheryl (Free)

9:00 AM Balance & Stretch; Cheryl (\$6)

10:00 AM Aqua Fitness; Erin (\$6)

10:00 AM Body Toning; Cheryl (\$6)

11:00 AM Vinyasa Yoga Level I-II; Leesann (\$6)

1:00 PM Lively Liners (Intermediate)

2:00 PM Lively Liners (Intermediate 2)

5:00 PM Pomettes

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

8:00 AM Zumba; Rosy (\$6)

9:00 AM Stretch; Angel (\$6)

THURSDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

8:00 AM Total Body Pump; Jessica (Free)

9:00 AM Brazilian Fusion; Eliezer (\$6)

10:00 AM Mat Pilates; Eliezer (\$6)

11:00 AM Agua Balance; Erin (\$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

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 Reformer Pilates I-II; Eliezer (\$17)

3:00 PM Boxing Blitz; Andrew (Free)

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

8:00 AM Silver Fit; Cheryl (Free)

9:00 AM Vinyasa Yoga Level I-II;

Leesann (\$6)

10:15 AM Meditation; Leesann (\$6)

11:15 AM Low Impact Cardio; Mirca (Free)

SATURDAY

MONTECITO FITNESS CENTER

9:00 AM Open Line Dancing

10:00 AM Cardio, Core & More; Erin (\$6)

11:00 AM Essentrics Stretch & Tone:

Melinda (\$6)

SANTA ROSA CLUBHOUSE

SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Please check www.scshca.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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Billiards Club

Our membership continues to meet every Monday and Wednesday at the Montecito Clubhouse billiard room at 6:30 pm for open play. Our club allows you to play with men and women of all levels of experience. Tournaments are held on the second Monday and the last Wednesday of the month at a cost of \$5 per player each tournament. No matter how you play with our handicap system you will have a chance to win and have a good time. It's a great way to make new friends and meet your neighbors.

Free lessons are available at 11 am every Thursday in the billiard room by Norman Kerr (707-372-6501). Just come in or give him a call.

On Monday, February 12, we had a nine ball round robin tournament. We had 16 players in competition. First place won by Don Salvatore, second went to Don Lucas, and third to Steve Quieor.

On Wednesday, February 28, we had an eight-ball elimination tournament. We had 16 players in competition. First place was won by Keith Dean, second place went to Steve Quieor, and third place to Don Salvatore. Everyone played well and had a good time, congratulations to all our winners.



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.



Hello Sun City Shadow Hills residents!

By the time you read this, our bowling season will be over. It is hard to believe how fast this year has flown

Now is the time to start thinking about next fall, and the opportunity to join our league at that time. We love seeing our returning bowlers as well as new faces, either as full-time bowlers, or substitutes.

To let us know of your interest in joining bowling, contact one of the people below or email us at: scshbowling@gmail.com. During the summer we start putting teams together, or, if you know of a team you would like to join and there is an opening, let us know.

As a full-time bowler or as a sub, come and enjoy our Friday mornings, the bowling fun, and the community comradery. We bowl at Fantasy Springs every Friday from 10 am to 1 pm-ish, bowling three games. It's a great way to end the week.

Karen Hargrave, President: 818-929-2235 Peggy Mathieson, Vice President Dana Barbour, Secretary/Treasurer: 562-201-3444



Camera Club



Leaf by Elaine Soulé

With the arrival of April, our snowbirds will start to head to more northerly climes. As a result, our in-person meetings will wrap up this month.

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Our main meeting, on April 3, in the Monterey Room (Santa Rosa Clubhouse) at 3 pm, will feature a presentation on closeup and macro photography. On the following Wednesday, our workshop meeting will further explore this genre of photography. Further meetings, held via Zoom, will cover Introductory Post Processing and Photo Feedback.

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 www.scshcameraclub.com for more information.



Ceramics Club



Are you feeling dizzy yet? The plate above is by the president of our club, Paula Nadel. She free-handed the design on this plate and then painted it in black and white to come up with this almost dizzying design.

Our members come up with all kinds of interesting designs. Check out our display cabinet in the Montecito Clubhouse. We feature one of our members every month, to display pieces they have done over the past months.

You may find pieces that have been formed in molds, then painted and you might also find pieces that have been hand-built or on one of our wheels.

Our members have a wide variety of backgrounds and skills. If you have any interest, stop by on a Tuesday or Friday morning between 9 am - noon. You will find a very friendly group of industrious learners.

For additional information, please email us at scshceramics@hotmail.com.



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

Hello golfers! We have had a wonderful winter season, especially welcoming so many new members to our club. Tuesday play is a shot-gun start beginning at 8 am. Please join us for breakfast at Shadows following golf. Friday play is straight tee times beginning at 12:30 pm with a choice to play 9 or 18 holes. Friday is also a day where you can request to play with a friend or make your own four-some. The deadline for Tuesday play is Saturday at 5 pm. The deadline for Friday play is Tuesday at 6 pm.

On February 27, we hosted Heritage Palms Niners to "Pretty in Pink, Let's Flamingle" Scramble and brunch in the Montecito Ballroom. On March 5, we hosted SCPD Niners in a 9-hole scramble with lunch

following. On March 8, our members moseyed on over to the ballroom in the hats and boots for our "Giddy Up" Spring Luncheon and General Meeting. On March 12, we played our monthly tournament, "Luck of the Irish," having fun rolling the dice on the tee boxes. Also in March, we played the "Hop into Spring" annual invitational with SCSH Women's Club. Come join the fun.

April 9 and 10 we have the "50s Rock and Roll" Annual Getaway to Soboba Casino Resort and Golf Club and April 22 we have the "April in Paris" End of the Season Dinner, Awards and General Meeting.







We would like to thank you, our audience, for supporting our show, Beatles to Broadway. It was a joy to present to you some of our favorite music from the Beatles songbook and several selections from Broadway shows. We hope, as it excited us to sing, it also excited you to possibly sing along.

Our singers take the summer months off, but we will be back in the fall with an upbeat holiday show. If you'd like to join us in singing next season, feel free to contact us by email at communitysingers@hotmail.com. Someone will get back to you and let you know when rehearsals start again in the fall.

Have a wonderful summer!



Couples Golf

Another season is coming to an end as Couples Golf has only one more play date this month on April 7. Please refer to your member emails for information on registering for this final date of play and menu choices.

For the upcoming 2024-2025 season, keep an eye on our new-look website. We will be posting information to it once all play dates have been finalized with the golf course, Shadows, and the Montecito Clubhouse. The registration application and information for signing up for our November 2024 start of the new season will also be available on our website when finalized.

To learn more about Couples Golf, please visit our website at shcouples.com or contact our Club President, Gerry Read at 760-289-6312.



Creative Arts

Nice to see so many creative, friendly people in our wonderful community! While you're in the Montecito Clubhouse check out our April art wall featuring work by member Cheryl Radich. In February we had a very successful Art Show, and in March we had our last potluck of the season to enjoy the company of our fellow artists, including our snowbirds before they fly away for the summer! Please consider joining the Creative Arts Club, let your creativity shine and have some fun! The membership fee is \$15/year due in January. We have open studio time in the art room twice each week, Monday and Thursday mornings 9 am – 12 pm. If you have any questions or would like more information about the club please stop by, or contact our club's Vice President, Wendy McElroy at 714-222-6495.



esert Gardeners

APRIL FAREWELL MEETING AND APPETIZER POTLUCK Wednesday, April 10, 2024, 3:30pm Montecito Ballroom Registration Begins At 3:15 pm Please Wear Your Name Tag

Enjoy a Show-off Slideshow highlighting fabulous images from our members' gardens throughout the year - blooms, pots, fantastic views, unique plantings, etc. Bring a happy hour dish to share at our final club meeting of the season. The club officers will provide desserts. Cold drinks, beer and wine are also provided by the club.

Visit our website www.scshdesertgardeners.com for membership information, the latest updates on our club activities and a wealth of gardening resources. We meet monthly from November through April and offer a wide array of experiences from educational meetings, consultations with Master Gardeners, slide shows of best practices, and field trips around our valley. A favorite event is the annual home garden tour in March followed by a delightful, casual reception.

For more information or questions, contact Terry Bolen at scshdesertgardeners@gmail.com.



esert Life

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

APRIL LUNCHEON

DATE | April 16, 2024, 11:30 am LOCATION | Heritage Palms Clubhouse PROGRAM | Living Desert Zoo Gardens, Lynn Conrad CHARITY FOR THE MONTH | Mama's House whose need are: baby wipes (Huggies Sensitive brand),

Huggies diapers (Huggies brand in all sizes), Lysol

disinfectant wipes, Lysol spray, toilet paper, notepads, pens, printer/copy paper, Tide Pods laundry detergent (Ultra Oxi), tissues, paper towels, Softsoap liquid soap refills. A full list of needs is available in Mama's House registry: www.amazon.com/registries/gl/guest-view /1X1X0KAJUE5WC. You may also donate by check payable directly to the Charity! No cash or gift cards! Donations by members are always voluntary!

Donations By Members Are Always Voluntary! MAIN MENU | Hawaiian chicken

jasmine rice, asparagus

VEGGIE OPTION | Beet salad

(Must denote "veggie" on check.)

DESSERT | Cherry pie a la mode.

PRICE | \$32 and checks must be in the Montecito mail slot by April 5. Includes seven door prize tickets. Drop checks ASAP and don't wait for the deadline!



French Club

Bienvenue to SCSH's French Club! Come join us to learn French, improve your language skills, discover France's interesting traditions and make new friends!



French students and their teacher enjoyed Mardi Gras festivities during their February 22 class! "Laissez les bons temps rouler!"

Quoi de neuf dans les classes de Français? (What's new in French classes?) At the February 22nd class, students were introduced to useful expressions like ça vaut la peine (it's worth it) and à mon avis (in my opinion).

They also learned expressions and phrases for ordering a meal in a French restaurant. To ask for the bill you would say to the serveur (waiter) or to the serveuse (waitress): "l'addition, s'il vous plaît."

The February 29 class centered around a discussion and video of Maxime Le Forestier's 1972 hit song of "San Francisco." This is a famous French song derived from his stay and experiences at a commune called la Maison Bleue (Blue House) during the hippie era. The house is located at 3841 18th Street in the Castro area of the city. Today there is a comparative plaque outside the house with the singer's face on it.

April classes are scheduled for the 18th and 25th from 2 – 3 pm in the Monterey Room at the Santa Rosa Clubhouse. May classes will be held on the 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th, at the same time and place. Contact instructor Barbara Guiffre for more information. Merci!



Games Plus

Games Plus was formed to play various games.

BINGO | Doors open at the Montecito Clubhouse at 5:30 pm, with games starting at 6:30 pm. Paper 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 | Samba, which is another version of Canasta, is played every Friday, from 1 – 4 pm at the Montecito Clubhouse. If you wish to play regular Canasta contact Betty. All levels of players are welcome. Come join your neighbors and have some fun. If you have questions, please contact Betty Dixon at 970-389-4682.

Happy Gaming!



Genealogy Club

The Incredible Shrinking Cousin Count

Canadian data obtained from a recent international study projects that the average 15-year-old girl will have just 3.6 living cousins in the year 2095, compared to 15.3 in 1950 - a 76 per cent decrease in living cousins. Wow! That means that our world of cousins is rapidly diminishing.

So, as families shrink in size, the cousin count automatically decreases. In my own case, my mother came from a family of 13 siblings. And her siblings, mostly farm folks, typically also had large families. Hence, I have an enormous number of cousins. Love them all. And my annual summer trip to "the farm" ensured a host of other world experiences and relationships that have lasted a lifetime.

Looking at my own family, we have only three grandchildren. Shrinking indeed.

I have been fortunate enough to work through several family history research projects with some of my cousins as collaborators. What wonderful projects, complete with that understood joint kinship. Cannot think of more rewarding projects, something my grandchildren are not likely to experience.

Reference: "Projections of human kinship for all countries" - Diego Alburez-Gutierrez, Iván Williams, and Hal Caswell. December 2023



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.

Basic knowledge of the game is required.

If you are interested, please contact Marie DeVito at 312-909-0446.

We are a fun group, and all are welcome.



Golden Seniors



As our name implies, we are a social club. In fact, the fastest growing social club at SCSH, with over 40 members to date, we're hoping to double that number by May! Our members range in age from 61 to 100 years young.

You will find a great group of young-at-hearts, gathering and socializing; while creating strong connections, support, and memories. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month in the Capistrano Room from 2 – 4 pm. We have frequent entertainers and speakers, while enjoying fancy treats, soft drinks, and wine.

Our community is chocked full of amazingly talented and creative people, often offering their gifts to our GSSC, evoking purpose, meaning, and connection with one another. This amazing club is where you will find friendship, companionship, and a good laugh, all at a comfortable pace. How blessed we are to have so many of you step up to celebrate life together here in beautiful Sun City Shadow Hills, where you are always among friends!

You are welcome to attend one time, on us! The cost to join is only \$25 for singles and \$35 per couple, per year. Contact Mia Lynott, President, at 760-685-4468 or Terri Fitzsimmons, Vice President, at 951-330-9910.



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



The hiking season has come to a close. What an amazing season we have had. From November through March, we had perfect hiking conditions and incredible hikes. From the Salton Sea to Joshua Tree to the Pacific Coast Trail, our hike leaders selected an excellent range of hikes for hikers of all levels. Our sincere thanks to our incredible hiking leaders, Sam, Nancy, Alan, Trevor, Ella, and Dell for volunteering their time to plan a great schedule of hikes.

Hikes will begin again in November. Check the Hiking Club website in August for the November -December schedule: www.scshca.com/hiking



Jewelry Club

Hello neighbors. Just want to remind you that if you are looking for a new hobby where you can let your creativity bloom, stop in at the Jewelry Club. You can learn a new hobby here or just bring your jewelry making skills with you and visit while you are working on your latest!



Sun catcher by Veronica Vandenburg

You do not have to make only jewelry as there are a number of other items you can make with all of the dazzling beads! Stop in and say hello and see what we are doing.



ady Putters

All women of SCSH are invited to join Lady Putters. 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 meet new friends with putting as an excuse to get together. There are two sessions to choose from. First session check-in begins at 7:45 am. It is followed by a short meeting at 8 am. The second session check-in begins at 8:45 am with a short meeting at 9 am. All you need is a putter and a ball, \$2 for playing fee, and \$20 annual dues.

You are invited to try Lady Putters once as a guest without paying the \$2 play fee or the annual membership.

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



SEAT Let's Meet and Eat

Greetings to all of our dancers, singers, new friends, and party animals! We had such a blast last month with the Zippers Trio and our first DJ Dance.

Never fear, we have more fun in store. Mark these party dates:

- APRIL 21 | The energetic band, Radio Ready will get us up and out of our seats.
- MAY 5 | The fabulous Flashback Boyz will help us celebrate Cinco de Mayo!
- MAY [DATE TBA] | DJ Dance
- JUNE 9 | The (amazing!) band, DysFUNKsion, performs.

REMINDERS | BYOB. Please bring your own plates/ utensils/glasses. We provide an ice water station. Signup forms are in the Montecito Clubhouse flyers rack. We dine at 5 pm and the band (or DJ) perform from 6 – 8 pm. DJ dances are purchased on Eventbrite for \$5 per person and our band dances are \$10 per person. Please remember, all payments are non-refundable.

We'd like to give a special thanks to the SCSH Newcomers Club for attending the last few months! It's so nice to see so many new faces!

Questions? Call Party Central: Cherie, 760-953-6674 or Margo, 310-977-2720, or email scshmeetandeat@ gmail.com.



Lively Liners

Put a spring in your step and for a mood boost, get up and get grooving. That's the takeaway from several studies on the mental health benefits of dancing. In one study, experienced dancers reported that dancing

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made them feel happier and more confident. The reason dance makes you feel better is complex. It likely has to do with the mood-boosting benefits of exercise and music. That's why so many people use dance as an outlet to relieve stress and anxiety. These potential benefits also explain why dancing can be effective.

> "FIND FITNESS WITH FUN DANCING. IT IS FUN AND MAKES YOU **FORGET ABOUT** THE DREADED EXERCISE."

Line dance classes are offered at the Montecito Fitness Center, Aerobics Studio Monday through Thursday. Try the first two classes for free! Low \$20 monthly fee (with annual dues of \$20) includes all classes, Beginner and Intermediate. There is also Open Line Dancing on Saturday at 9 am. Please check our class schedule in The View, the Fitness Class Calendar, or on our website at scshlivelyliners.com.

If you need more info, call Melanie at 626-222-6044.



Mah Jongg

Here's hoping April brings you showers of winnings when you play in the Mah Jongg room on Wednesdays from 12:15 pm to 3:15 pm.

Some of our snowbird friends will be leaving us this month. We will miss you and can't wait until you return and bring cooler weather with you. Mah Jongg will be played all summer so please know you will always have a seat to play. If you have any questions about the game, please contact our president, Rochelle Asheroff, at asheroff@sbcglobal.net.





You are invited to join guided meditation sessions with Vib Verma. Live a balanced and fulfilled life. Reduce stress, anger, and anxiety. Vib features a unique topic each session. He will change your life.

- You will learn how to be happy and peaceful.
- You will learn to be positive.
- You will learn to generate love and compassion for all. Science has shown that a negative mind can cause hypertension, insomnia, and other illnesses. With the right meditation practice, you can feel better, possibly reducing your dependence on some medications.

We meet on Mondays at 10 am in the Santa Rosa Clubhouse Pismo/Newport room.

For more information call Camille Brownson at 760-673-6694 or camillebrownson@gmail.com.



Men's Golf Club

The 2023-2024 SHMGC year is almost history. With the Aviary Cup, Club Championship, Member/Member Tournament, Member/Guest Tournament, Shadow Hills Cup, and our Annual Awards Dinner now history, all we have to look forward to is a few fun, but unannounced events during the summer months many are play away and give our golfers an opportunity to see more of the Coachella Valley public and private courses. Watch our web page and the bulletin board for more information on some of these one-day fun summer events.

And speaking of Tournaments, our 2024 Member/ Guest was probably the most successful and fun M/G

Tournament we have ever had here at Shadow Hills, thanks to the hard work of Dave Whitehead and his committee. If you missed it, put it on your schedule for next year.

At our March General Membership Meeting, we welcomed three new SHMGC Board Members. Our on-line voting resulted in a large vote return, with successful candidates being Steve Leonard, Chuck Stevens, and Mike Whelan. These three outstanding leaders have promised to bring to our Membership, a lot of new and fun ideas.

Happy and safe traveling, along with a "have a great summer" wish to all our snowbirds. Many will be leaving shortly. So, enjoy – knowing that we will miss you.

Keep your head down. But that doesn't mean you can't smile!



Needles and Pins

A luncheon will be held April 8 to say farewell to our snowbirds (feels like you just got here). We will be discussing activities and our budget. We wish our snowbirds a safe travel home and look forward to seeing their creations when they return!

On Monday, March 18, members of our club cut scraps of fabric to fill pet bed shells. Lots of laughter and goodies made the work light!

Besides making personal items, members also crochet and quilt blankets and beanies for newborns at the hospitals. These are gathered together in gift bags that also have a handmade card, book, and other necessities a new parent might need.







We hold our Show and Share meeting every first Monday. Please come by to see what wonderful projects were made, and maybe get some ideas for yourself. Got a project that has been sitting around for a while? We meet on Sundays all day, Mondays 12:30 – 5 pm, and Wednesdays 9 am – 1 pm in the Cambria room in the Montecito Clubhouse.

For more information, please contact Cheri Stewart at cherylstwrt83@gmail.com.



Newcomers Club

The Newcomers - Join the Fun Club! Next meeting: Capistrano Room- April 24, 2024 4:30 pm to 6:30 pm Potluck/Happy hour

The SCSH Newcomers Club is a social club designed to introduce new residents (and those that feel that they are new) to Sun City Shadow Hills, to make new friends, have fun, and learn about our beautiful new community together!

Our club is made up of unique, upbeat, and inclusive people, and is exciting to be part of! We started in late October and have doubled our membership in the last 12 weeks! Our club offers a variety of opportunities to meet and socialize with other residents of SCSH and to share common interests. Our meetings include beverages, light refreshments, and typically a happy hour/mixer and/or speaker presentations and entertaining activities. Our members enjoy learning about the community and local resources, having fun, and making connections. Our activities continually evolving to represent our members' interests.

Join us for new beginnings, new friends, and new adventures!



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

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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 them pick a song or learn 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.scshca.com/podcast306) for the interview with Alan Voss, club president, or call him at 209-768-9393.



Happy April to our members! Yes, we are "springing into action" this month, enjoying the camaraderie of our fellow Pan players. They say "April springs eternal." Well, so do our hopes for those ever-elusive bongs, threes, fives, and sevens of spades! It has been so wonderful to see some of our newer players subbing in our games.

To our newer members: Please remember that we primarily play on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays. A few games are played on Fridays and Saturdays.

Thank you all for paying your annual dues. We have been able to buy new cards and supplies because of our dues.

Special note: Please remember always sign the attendance sheet, put away your supplies and throw away any trash. Thanks so much!

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Wilabee at judywilabee@gmail.com or call her at 562-484-4960.

See you in the clubhouse!



Performing Arts Club

Do you know that 74.7% of Sun City Shadow Hills residents have Performing Arts History and/or ancestry? Is it any wonder that our club is the envy of the Coachella Valley? That's why we want you, you, and especially, you, to join the Sun City Shadow Hills Performing Arts Club.

We're looking for directors, producers, actors, assistants, stagehands, set dressers, ushers, and all the supporting roles that keep the footlights burning and the audience cheering.

When you mingle with our members, I guarantee you'll realize, "This is the club for me!" You'll be the first to hear the details of the new fall/spring plays. Auditions will be announced soon.

Come and see for yourself what a great group we are. You'll have the time of your life! What in the world are you waiting for? Please contact our Club Secretary, Gordon Thomas, at gordon.thomas8727@gmail.com for membership information. He can't wait to welcome you!

If you would like to chat with me, I'm Jamie McGrew at 949 500-4722. Give me a ring.



Pet Club

Welcome new members and farewell to our snowbirds! Summer is almost upon us!

Please come and join us on the second Tuesday of each month in the Montecito Clubhouse in the Cambria/Mirada Rooms at 6 pm! The invited guest speaker on Tuesday, April 9 will be from the Guide Dogs of America.

Bob Barker of The Price Is Right always reminded viewers to "help control the pet population, have your pet spayed or neutered." Hopefully, we can encourage pet owners in the Coachella Valley to do just that!

For more information, please contact Jo Provenzano-King, Club President, at 818-848-5959 or email j.n.provenzano@hotmail.com.



Pickleball Club

The winter season is rapidly coming to an end and a good portion of our club is packing to head back to their summer homes, although not all are quite ready to leave the warm California sunshine!

We would like to thank everyone in our club for their many hours of volunteering which helped make our club a great place to belong to. We recently recognized our volunteers, and it was noted that over one- quarter of our members had volunteered to help in some way throughout the year. We would like to send out a huge thank you to all of you; it takes a village, and we have a great one!

Our annual election was held recently, and the results will be on our website, SCSHpickleball.org. Please check out who will be working on your behalf in the upcoming year. These officers will be hard at work getting committees and schedules in place for next season.

We'll miss our northern friends, but you will be happy to enjoy four more courts (part time) and hopefully a new shade structure when you return.

Safe travels to all.



Pomettes



Introducing Pomette Betty Sassano, who grew up in Pittsburgh, PA, and is still a huge Steelers fan.

Before coming to California, she spent nearly twenty years in Chicago.

Betty is a corporate lawyer currently working part time from home but looking forward to full retirement later this year. Recovering and healing from shoulder surgery, Betty is presently a behind-the-scenes nonperformer who is willing to lend a hand in assisting with a multitude of tasks. Betty is delighted to be an integral part of the Pomettes of SCSH.

If you or someone you know is interested in having the Pomettes at your event, please contact "Sun City Sue" McCollum at suncitysuecheers1@gmail.com or 760-285-0915 cell.



Rainbow Friends

Can you believe it's already April? Happy April Fools' Day! Although, who can be "fooled" when there is so much to do and see in our wonderful Valley?

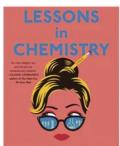
Hope you are enjoying our spring weather and look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our next regular meeting on Wednesday, April 10, at 6 pm, at the Montecito Clubhouse. If the weather cooperates, it will be a games night! As always, please check your email for the latest on club activities.

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





During our March meeting, Deborah Drucker introduced Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus. After the introduction, there were questions and

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answers followed by a lively discussion. Then we had the drawing for the door prizes. After the meeting, we had social time.

Our club meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Capistrano Room of the Montecito Clubhouse. We have comfortable distancing at our discussion tables.

Our next meeting will be on April 26 when we will discuss Mrs. Lincoln's Dressmaker by Jennifer Chiaverini. So please join us for the discussions and meet fellow book lovers.

For further information, contact Terri Fitzsimmons at fitzsimmonsterri@gmail.com.

Non-Fiction Book Club

The next meeting of the Non-Fiction Addiction Group will be on Wednesday, April 24, 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 via Zoom. Our selection for the month is the 546-page book The Invisible Rainbow: A History of Electricity and Life by Arthur Firstenberg.

If you want to get a jump-start on our May 2024 selection, we'll be reading and discussing the 336-page book Napoleon and the Hundred Days by Stephan Coote.

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.

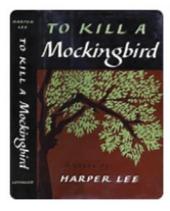
The Snowbirds Club has a 25-page Home Closure document to help you with the many steps necessary to close your home for the summer. We can also provide information on maintenance, repairs, and technology for your home.

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, happy hours, and some outside programs. All are great ways 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 outings such as live theater events, meals out, parties in private homes, and monthly meetings held on the third Sunday of the month from 5 - 7 pm in the Capistrano Room of the Montecito Clubhouse.

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.

If you would like any membership information, contact Shirley Bunce at 760-345-8121 or email her at bunce.shirley123@yahoo.com.



Table Tennis Club



Spring is in the air, let's play some Ping Pong! Join us for friendly, competitive play! Three tables of fun! If you've played Table Tennis in the past, we want to hear from you!

WHEN | Wednesdays at 11 am

Fridays and Sundays at 2 pm

WHERE | Santa Rosa Clubhouse,

Newport/Pismo rooms

Text or call me for details or questions: Steve Lee, 303-601-6096.



Tennis Club

March is a wrap, but it brought the annual BNP Paribas Open back to the desert and proved again that tennis is alive and well and as popular as ever! Many of us volunteered at the tournament to support the sport we love!

It's hard to believe that April is already here, and another season of tennis will start to wind down as temperatures rise and our snowbird friends make their way back to their summer homes. April also marks the

beginning of a new term for our Tennis Club Board. We would like to thank those who served last season and welcome our new board, which has stepped up to serve for the coming season. Because of these dedicated members, we enjoy not only a variety of scheduled programs for play but also many wonderful off-court get-togethers that help create lasting friendships. If you are interested in tennis, our dues are \$20 a year and include access to organized playing schedules for all skill levels. We also host many activities during the year for our members to gather off the courts.

To join our club, please visit https://scshtennis.com or contact Linda Johnson at Inkjohns@hotmail.com. See you on the courts!



That's Entertainment

Our November - April comedy nights will have "full concert seating" to accommodate more residents who would like to attend during the winter season. Shadows has a full cash bar in the lobby at 6 pm on comedy night. Cocktails, 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. Usually, on the third Wednesday of each month, we arrange for two southern California comedians to perform a 90-minute comedy show at 7 pm in the Montecito Clubhouse. The talent is different every month. We are in our 15th year of presenting this popular 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

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good time. We have both couples and singles. After the putting ends, we celebrate with pizza, Mario's, El Pollo Loco, etc.

The membership fee is \$20 and \$15 for each putting session which, includes a meal, putting, and a raffle ticket good for several prizes.

We are dark in the off-season.

Tuesday Night Putters Calendar 2024:

- Tuesday, April 9
- Tuesday, April 23

Visit www.scshca.com/tnpmembership for our membership form. Once your application is submitted you will receive an email at 7 am on the Tuesday before a scheduled event to sign up.



Tutta Bella Vino

QUE-SYRAH-SHIRAZ

When it comes to the Syrah grape it is never "What Will Be Will Be." Syrah and Shiraz come from the same grape. Syrah is European with a savory and austere style while Shiraz is Australian with a full-bodied, ripe personality. Join us in the Montecito Ballroom on Saturday, April 20, at 7 pm. Amanda Cardenas, our wine professional with Republic National, will guide us through all the flavor sensations of the Syrah varietal.



• The membership fee for this season is \$15 per person. Please pay when you register for your first event. If you have never attended a tasting, you can attend one event without paying a membership fee to experience our tastings.

- 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 at your table.
- Please, for this event you must bring your own wine glass!
- You will be able to order wine by the case at special club pricing at the end of the evening.
- The registration forms were on the Club webpage at www.scshca.com/tuttabella on March 16 and in the racks at Montecito. Registration closes on April 13 or upon sell-out.
- Questions? Please email tuttabellavino@gmail.com.



Veterans Club

Veterans Club meeting April 16 at 5:45 pm -Montecito with pizza and beverage. We have an excellent guest speaker. Look at website for details www.scshveteransclub.org.

Visit the General Patton Memorial Museum at Chiriaco, it is only a half hour from here.

See generalpattonmuseum.com.



The mission of the General Patton Memorial Museum is to promote peace by honoring the service and sacrifice of America's veterans while educating the public on modern U.S. military history through preserving and interpreting of artifacts from the major conflicts of the past.

There is always something new at the Palm Springs Air Museum, home to one of the world's largest collections of static and flyable aircraft. April events include:

- APRIL 6, 8 AM TO 5 PM | U-Boat War: Tragedy and Redemption in the North Atlantic, 1939-1945
- APRIL 13, 1 PM TO 2 PM | Edwards AFB: "USAF Test Pilot University"
- APRIL 20, 1PM TO 2 PM | From the Front Lines to the C-47 Skytrains: An Eyewitness Account of Caring for the Wounded by the 111th Evacuation Hospital in WWII

Need a new flag? Call Larry Smith at 714-401-3772 or email at sharlar55@gmail.com.



FLAG SALES 2ND FRIDAY MONTHLY Montecito Clubhouse

Monthly Meetings: third Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., Montecito Clubhouse Cambria Room Veterans' Club Annual Dues - \$10

For more information, please contact club President Tony Napolitan at tony_napolitan@yahoo.com or 760-604-3543.



Women's Golf Club

Hop into Spring! Our March event with the Niners was a hop (or step) aside team scramble, followed by a wonderful picnic lunch. Many thanks to Grace Hutchings and her committee for organizing. Appreciation Day was a chance to golf in the morning and then celebrate with appetizers, champagne, and raffle prizes later that afternoon. We truly appreciate the staff and volunteers who make our club a great one. Plus, getting involved by working on a committee or board is very rewarding, and friendships are definitely a bonus.

In April we have a Team Waltz, Bring a Friend Day and the President's Choice event. Wonder what Susan will have us do? Lunch in Shadows Restaurant or the Montecito Ballroom follows each of these events.

Our regular play day is Wednesday at 8 am with split tee times. Members have the choice of playing from the gold or silver tees. We also have Friday tee times.

Check out our new website, www.shwgc.com, for more information!



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.

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

When you join us, you will meet interesting people and hear their fascinating stories. Try your hand at writing that story you have always wanted to tell.

Free membership! For more information, email Beth at bethbolduc7@ gmail.com or Tony at antiqphoto@gmail.com.

Interested in starting a club?

Drop by the Lifestyle Desk for an informational packet or call: 760-345-4349 ext. 2120

RESIDENT GROUPS



JOIN US FOR OUR NEXT MEETING ON

Thursday, April 18, at 6 pm in the Montecito Clubhouse, Cambria Room.



RI Miller Founder



Miller will speak to us about building grassroots political power for the climate movement. She is a Woolsey fire survivor, first elected to the DNC in 2020, and elected chair (emeritus) of the CDP's Environmental Caucus (2013-2021).

We are a chartered Democratic club whose focus is on promoting candidates and legislation that reflects our principles. Our members are active in local, state, and national issues. If you would like to attend our next meeting as a guest or have questions about the club, please contact our President, Tari Beer.

Email: taribeer10@gmail.com Website: www.scshdems.org

Facebook: Dems in Sun City Shadow Hills



Hadassah

Hadassah invites you to join us on Thursday, April 11, as Rabbi Ira Helf, featured speaker, will enlighten us on the "Roosevelt Family." Rabbi Helf is an avid reader of the Roosevelt biographies and a collector of Roosevelt memorabilia. In his words, "There's a Roosevelt story in everything." This will be a very inspiring and worthwhile evening hearing these stories about the Roosevelts that we might never have heard, open to men and women. Doors open at 6:30 pm for socializing, coffee, and nosh, with the program beginning at 7 pm. Contact Debbie Orgen at 760-289-7987 for registration and further details.

Join us Sunday, April 14, for a wonderful musical show featuring Rik Howard and Wendy Becker, a celebrated couple performing '60s, '70s, and '80s music. Flyers are in the kiosks.

Friday night, April 19, Hadassah will hold a "Hadassah Shabbat" at Temple Sinai. The Oneg Shabbat begins at 5 pm, and the services will start at 5:30 pm.

Don't miss these fantastic opportunities. Call Debbie Orgen, President, at 760-289-7987 to reserve your space and for further details.



Mountain View Church

Happy April!

March winds have certainly blown through our valley leaving sand and debris in their path.

According to my childhood memories, April showers will bring May flowers. We have already seen the beauty of blooming Verbena and other wildflowers carpeting the desert floor from previous rain falling from above.

The thought of physical rain, even though welcome, is fading as the desert begins to ready itself for the heat soon to be upon us.

While we may or may not experience rain showers in April, I expect showers of blessing to fall upon those who are expectantly waiting on the Lord. Showers of hope, showers of comfort, showers of compassion, mercy, and grace.

We at Mountain View Church have been blessed by new church family members this season. We also would love to welcome you to come and see if God will open the windows of heaven and shower down on you His love and favor.

We will look forward to you blessing us by "dropping" in one of these Sunday mornings at 10 am.

"May He be like rain falling on a mown field, like showers watering the earth."

- Psalm 72:6

Keep looking up!



Republicans

Join us on Tuesday, April 9, when our guest speaker will be Indio Mayor Pro-Tem Glenn Miller. He is a well-known community leader and is running for Mayor for the fourth time. He will update us on the newest stores, restaurants, and hotels planned for Indio and what is happening in the Coachella Valley. Bring your questions and meet Glenn Miller.

We will elect officers to our Board so please come to this meeting as your vote counts.

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

There is no better place to learn and stay informed of what is current in our community, state, and nation than at our meetings.

Candidates are lining up for the 2024 election. We will examine critical issues and present opportunities for our members to help make 2024 a successful year for all Republican candidates.

Annual dues: \$25 per couple and \$15 for a single membership. Membership applications are available at Lifestyles.

Questions: Pete Anderson at petegolf@yahoo.com; 760-775-4745.

CLUBS IN FORMATION



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.



be among the first to know what's happening in Sun City Shadow Hills? Sign up for the Monday email blast

Fill out the Announcements by Email Request Form online at www.scshca.com/emailsignup or stop by the HOA office to sign up.

You will begin receiving our weekly email blast each Monday morning, letting you know what is happening in our community that week. You will also receive critical alerts.

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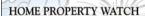
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