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At last month's 'Candidates Night,' Villagers at home and in the audience asked (L-R) Chuck Kiskaden, Robert Riveles, Robert Bueling and Richard Loomis, who are running for seats on LV's Board of Directors, about their qualifications and positions on important issues in an exchange that lasted nearly two hours.

Homeowner Reminder: Have You Voted Yet?

By now, Village homeowners have received their ballots for the upcoming election to fill three seats on LV's Board of Directors. A campaign season, subdued by ongoing COVID restrictions, is underway. Mailers, socially distanced door-to-door visits, illustrated biographies

posted in the Atrium of the Recreation Center, and "Candidates Night" held last month provide introductions and more about the five men running for the two-year terms. Election Day is Thursday, June 24, when the votes will be counted, and winners announced.

The candidates are Robert Bueling, Chuck Kiskaden, Richard Loomis and Robert Riveles. Villagers had the opportunity to question nominees, hear their opinions, and evaluate their proposals for Village life during LV's traditional "Candidates Night"

held in the AR on May 20.

During the two-hour event, four candidates described why each of them was running for the Board, what they considered the highest values of Leisure Village (the sense of community, volunteerism,

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Independence Day Celebration Parade

■ Starts at the Rec Center at 6pm Sunday, July 4, 2021

Don your stars and stripes. Decorate your golf carts in your best red, white and blue, bring your classic cars out of the garage, come over on your bicycle and participate in the parade! Meet us in the east Recreation Center parking lot beginning at 5 pm. Join the parade through the village starting at 6 pm. Patriotic costumes and creative patriotic decoration are encouraged. Over-the-top decor will be celebrated.

The Leisure Village Mavericks are sponsoring "A parade that pays homage to the signing of the Declaration of Independence on July 4, 1776" says John Wirtz, president of the Leisure Village Mavericks Club.



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The true meaning of the 4th of July.

The parade route will follow the same route used for the Christmas/Holiday Parade.

East on LV Drive from the

Rec. Center to the east gate. Circle back down LV Drive to Mountain View then left.

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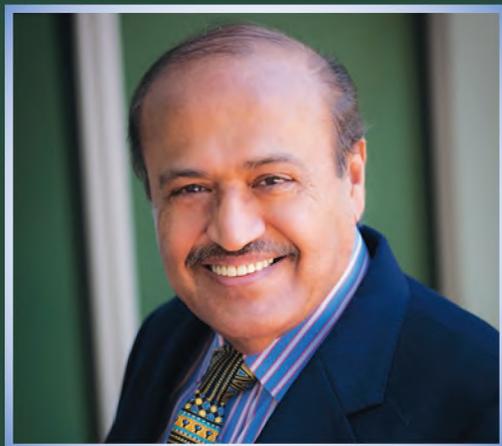


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A time for celebration. We have so much to celebrate in the coming months. Freedom from the pandemic restrictions are coming as of this writing; The magic, if somewhat arbitrary, date of June 15th should provide a return to more use of our Village facilities and the ability to share the camaraderie and socialization we took for granted before May of 2021. We have the ability to express our opinions of keeping the Village on track by choosing representatives for the LV Board of Directors. Celebrate that ability by casting

your vote. Another celebration is coming on July 4th when the Maverick's club will lead a parade through the village celebrating the signing of a document that set our course as a country with the guarantee of independence, freedom and the ability to chart our individual course. Please come out and join us in this show of pride and patriotism and yes, let's celebrate.

— Jon Niemann

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Candidates

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the security system, the golf course and clubs) and what changes they would suggest (a more accessible website and better communication between residents and the Board). The fifth candidate did not participate in the event and requested that his name and information not be included in this publication.

LV voters can submit their ballots several ways. A completed and unsigned ballot can be put into the blue envelope and sealed. That blue envelope is placed inside the white envelope and sealed. Then, on the left corner of the front of the white envelope, the homeowner prints his or her LV address, name, and then adds their signature.

That envelope can then be dropped into ballot boxes in the Rec Center, the Association Office or mailed to the Association at 200 Leisure Village Drive, Camarillo, CA 93012. Ballots must be received by 5:00 pm on June 23 or deposited personally in the MPR between 8:00 – 10:00 am on June 24.

ABOUT REAL ESTATE By Sharron Parker

62+ Loans Put Equity to Work

We in Leisure Village have gained a good deal of equity related to the current real estate market and global conditions in the finance market. Putting that equity to work for you is a process to consider based on these conditions.

The 62+ Loan is a type of Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) loan that pays tax-free cash in return for a portion of your home's equity. Essentially, it converts the equity in your home to cash. This specific loan can eliminate mortgage payments, so retirees can enjoy more financial freedom, focusing more on living and less on finances. This loan is flexible in that you can receive the cash from the loan in fixed monthly payments, as a one-time lump sum, or you can use the cash to establish a line of credit that grows bigger over time.

Besides using the funds from your loan to purchase a new home,

the funds can be used in any way you see fit. Another benefit of this type of loan is that it can be used to refinance. Other uses of the funds might be to pay for medical bills, in-home care or prescriptions, or paying off debt. You may choose to purchase a recreational vehicle with the funds, invest the funds, or use some of the cash to travel. There are no limits to what you can purchase with the funds available from these programs. You can even use the loan to pay off an existing mortgage provided you have enough equity in your home.

Another added benefit of the 62+ Loan is that the money received from the loan is not taxed. This is because the funds are considered "borrowed" and don't qualify as being taxable by the IRS. Like all Home Equity Conversion Mortgages (HECM), the 62+ Loan is FHA-insured and is

backed by the US Federal Housing Administration.

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Regarding inheritance: Once the balance of your 62+ Loan is paid off after the sale or refinance of your home, the remaining balance will transfer as an inheritance to your heirs. All the remaining equity will be passed down.

A real estate agent familiar with the market and Leisure Village properties in particular will be able to refer you to a reputable mortgage broker or lender who will be able to lead you through the process of these loans and answer questions related to your specific needs.

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A WORD ON WINE By Don & Barbara Senior

Exploring San Luis Obispo's Edna Valley

Just South and East of San Luis Obispo lies the Edna Valley American Viticultural Area, or AVA. This wine region is well known for producing excellent chardonnay and pinot noir, and some local wineries have added Rhone varietals as well.

San Luis Obispo is only 10 miles from the coast and there are many vineyards and wineries in Edna Valley AVA along Route 227. Claiborne and Churchill was one of the early wineries on Route 227. It was founded in 1983 by Claiborne Thompson and Frederika Churchill, leaving Michigan for California to begin a new life in the wine industry. From the start, Claiborne & Churchill wines had a special focus, producing only Dry Riesling and Dry Gewürztraminer, inspired by the fruity but dry wines of the French province of Alsace. At the time, Clay joked that he made wine that no one would buy, but

that was hardly the case.

Today Claiborne & Churchill produces about 8,000 cases of wine each year, sourcing grapes from vineyards in the cool maritime valleys of California's Central Coast and its own small estate vineyards. In 1995 a new winery building was constructed with sixteen-inch walls lined with bales of rice straw. The winery is so well insulated that it maintains a constant cellar temperature, without the need for mechanical cooling or heating. If you visit, you can see the bales through the "window of truth."

Around the same time, Andy MacGregor planted the vines at Wolff Vineyards, making it one of the oldest in the Edna Valley. It produced high quality Chardonnay and Pinot Noir for other winemakers until it was acquired by the Wolffs in 2000. Nearby, Sextant Wines bought the entire town of Old Edna to create a unique atmosphere for

their tasting experience.

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We are so lucky to have so many interesting wine regions so close to home. Be it a day trip or a few days, you can only marvel in the quality of California wines.

**LETTERS TO
THE EDITOR**

A younger generation is moving into Leisure Village and a higher proportion of them have recreational vehicles. Our RV lot was originally built to have one parking space available for every 5 units, but was re-stripped in 2014 to accommodate motor homes that took up 2 or more spaces and were having trouble maneuvering into and out of the lot. Now the demand for parking exceeds the available spaces. Proposed rule changes were posted in the April edition of the Village Voice. After some discussion the Board tabled a vote at their May meeting until June. If you have any concerns about the proposed changes, you should make your opinions known by the next meeting.

Ron Strambini, Village 3

Editor's Note: The best way to have your voice heard is to send an email to the Board of Directors: townhall@lv.org.

LOVED the article on the flowering trees. I have asked for this before but nothing has been published. All my friends and I stare at the trees as they flower trying to remember their names. I'm keeping the article for future reference. Thank you for publishing that one.

Mary Ann Robnett, V.38



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A PINCH OF SALT By Larry Swartz

Quality and Purity

Recently, I ventured out with my mask to get a few groceries. During the pandemic, it is easy to order many items online but fresh produce is tough because "shoppers" don't have your eye. I decided to stop buying tomatoes through the shopping services.

Just because they are red and look pretty doesn't mean they have flavor; instead I paid an outrageous price for one beautiful rich red organic heirloom tomato. I ate it that night simply sliced with some thin strips of fresh basil and this incredible organic small batch virgin olive oil drizzled over it and just a pinch of sea salt. OMG, as the millennials say. Each and every bite was pure delight and it reminded me that when I buy quality food, it's ok to prepare it simply... as the natural flavors are pure and delicious. I am a purist so if I have a lovely bunch of asparagus I got at the farmers market or a nice fresh smelling piece of Petrale Sole from Whole Foods, I'll have it minimally prepared.

I know you can buy a whole bag of green beans at the \$.99 store and they may be ok. All I'm saying is shop carefully, most of the time you get what you pay for but not all the time.

Writing this reminds me of when I had a restaurant in Colorado years ago, I was doing something I tend to do that I shouldn't—make a dish I've never

made before for company or in this case, customers. It sounded pretty simple, sauté seasoned beef tenderloin in a little butter/olive oil, add sliced onions, simmer slowly for about 45 minutes. To save money I bought a cheaper cut of meat and was prepared to use Adolph's Meat Tenderizer on it. The wife at the time said you can't use that. "It's full of chemicals; use this—papain—a pineapple enzyme. It'll do the same thing." Very upset, I threw some in. Went about prepping other things and later checked the beef and onions braised in beer. Took the lid off only to find a pan full of what looked like brown library paste. The meat had totally dissolved. It was obviously unusable so I ran to the store, got some quality tenderloin and got it ready just in time for opening.

Moral of the story: Don't..use..cheap..anything.

Since summer tomato season is upon us, here are some ideas with how to use them simply. Use the best quality virgin olive oil you can find and read the label carefully. You want olive oil that is not a mixture of oils from all over the world. You can even find great fresh California Arbequina which is fabulous on tomatoes. So make a Caprese salad, true Italian bruschetta, pizza margarita, or just plain sliced with that great olive oil you just found. There are tons of recipes online. Enjoy!

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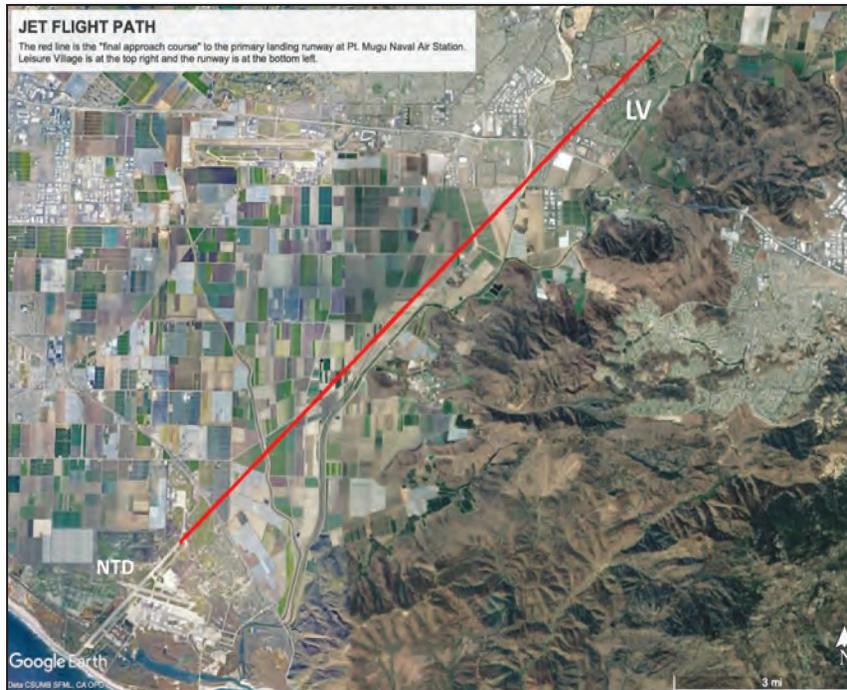
Why Are Those Airplanes So Loud?

By Bob Merrilees

Any time that the weather along the coast is cloudy, we can expect to hear more noise more often from jet aircraft landing at Pt. Mugu Naval Air Station (NTD). Here's why, with help from the graphic.

The red line is the "final approach course" to the primary landing runway at the Naval Air Station. Leisure Village (LV) is at the top and the runway is at the bottom (NTD).

When landing at NTD when there is fog or low clouds along the coast, aircraft returning from the Pacific are directed by radar controllers toward LV along a route over farmland to the north and west that ultimately intersects with that red line not less than 9 miles from



NTD. Aircraft landing from inland (north of Palmdale) are directed to the same point which takes them directly over Leisure Village.

Why the extremely loud bursts of noise near the Village? Military aircraft engines are designed

to generate power with few, if any other, considerations. When fighters transition from cruise configuration to landing configuration – that is, extend their flaps and landing gear – they generate drag, which requires additional power

so they don't fall out of the sky. They will keep throttles engaged until they achieve a "stable" regime, i.e. gear down, wings and flaps as required, and speed as required.

They usually do this about the time they are over the Burger Barn. Over and out.

Editor's Note: Bob Merrilees is an LV resident, a former Marine, a commercial pilot (inactive) and a retired Air Traffic Controller.

Painting Project Moving Right Along

Phase 2 of the painting project is underway. Good weather and the right conditions have this phase moving along nicely. So far this is the progress.

- Village 24 is completed - 39 homes
 - Village 39 is in process, but early
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A festive patriotically decorated golf cart.

July 4th Parade

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*Follow Mountain View back to
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Center East parking lot.*

We hope to see a large group of patriots waving flags and cheering

along the route we pass through the village.

For more information on participation in the parade Contact:
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PERSPECTIVES

By Janey Rifkin

Missing in Action: One Flu Season

Have you seen it? While COVID-19 and its many variants continue to infect thousands of Americans every day, another usually rampant respiratory virus is almost nowhere to be seen: INFLUENZA. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the infection rate for the flu is just about 100 times lower than it has been every year for many decades. In a typical year, hundreds of thousands of Americans were hospitalized with the flu until the notorious pandemic of 2020.

Scientists say the radical behavioral changes that our country has put in place during the pandemic—such as social distancing, mask wearing and constant hand-washing—are largely responsible for this unusually quiet flu season gone by. Another factor learned and put into the history books is that flu tends to be a lot less transmissible than a coronavirus,

which means it is a lot easier to suppress. Travel bans have also helped quash influenza.

Aside from the flu, there is a fascinating study in progress at the University of Glasgow in the U.K. Fact: Some viruses compete with one another in a bid to infect a host. The rhinovirus, the main cause of the common cold, appears able to outcompete the coronavirus, an interaction which has intrigued virologists since the start of the pandemic. Simply stated, the common cold can beat back COVID, if the right conditions prevail.

“This is absolutely exciting,” scientist Pablo Murcia tells the BBC. “If the lining of the human airways has a high prevalence of rhinovirus, it could stop new SARS-CoV-2 infections.”

Humanity may have an unlikely ally in the fight against COVID and a newfound respect for the common cold.

A VISIT WITH LEE

By Lee Edwards

This month my visitors are my good friends Mamata (pronounced Mumta) and Hemu Kalle from village 22. Mamata is well known because Patty Ecker wrote a beautiful biography of her life in a recent edition of ILV. She also volunteers wherever and whenever there is a need including Bone Builders or knitting caps for homeless children. But we don't know as much about Hemu.

After first studying in India, Hemu continued at the University of Chicago. Back in India, he met Mamata through an arranged marriage. They knew each other for only two months before the wedding. Hemu tells me arranged marriages are very often successful. Families know each other and the young couple share similar backgrounds and interests. I can personally vouch for this arranged marriage. Hemu and Mamata just celebrated their 57th anniversary and they are truly devoted to each other.

Back in the U.S., this time with

a wife and 10 month old daughter, Hemu started working for Xerox in Rochester. The company moved the Kalles many times, once to Brazil for two years. He worked 23 years for Xerox. By now, their two children were grown and living in Southern California. Their daughter and son-in-law had settled in Camarillo, so the Kalles said goodbye to the east coast and moved to Camarillo. In 2006, they finally moved to Leisure Village. They established their own financial and tax consulting practice. Hemu soon joined the Photo Club. They both ran the twice weekly bridge games for many years. Once a month they helped in a Ventura soup kitchen sponsored by “Family to Family” which fed a 6 AM breakfast to about 150 homeless people.

All of us are indeed lucky that this giving couple lives among us in the Village and I treasure my friendship with my visitors Hemu and Mamata.

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CLUB NEWS

LV PHOTO CLUB

By Chuck Morrow

With the area moving forward to normalization, the Photo Club continues to provide members with the ability to connect over Zoom. This Zoom technology has allowed the members to connect through their common enjoyment of photography and welcomes new members to the group. Coming soon: look for the monthly photo winners to start appearing again in the hallway of the Rec Center and MPR.

The professional judge for the May meeting was a club favorite, Dan Holmes. For those interested, his work can be seen at www.danholmesphoto.com. The theme for the May meeting was "Wildlife" in the Assigned Category. All of the May top winners can be found within the pages of this issue of ILV. The winners for May were:

Assigned Category, Gregg Gillmar - "Zion Park Bighorn"
Open Category, Ron Matson - "No Photo"

Mobile Category, Gregg Gillmar - "Poinsettia"

Creative Category, Frank DeSimone - "Last Supper at My House"

The photo club provides access to all the photos submitted for competitions by going to <https://leisurevillage.smugmug.com> and choosing the month(s) you wish to view. For more information on the Photo Club contact Ken Lauchner at 805-491-2432 or ken.lauchner@roadrunner.com.

WOODSHOP

By Bud Bradley

This month's photo shows one of the more unique projects created by one of our keyholders. This set of unique tables shows what can be



Photo by BUD BRADLEY

Tables designed and built by Woodshop member Jack Hoyt.

accomplished when the need arises.

The Woodshop is open, although on a limited basis. Hours of operation: 9:00 AM until 4:45 PM, Monday thru Friday only, to facilitate staff checking and locking before clocking out. The Annex is still not available to us but we are hoping that will change soon. We are now able to accommodate 4 keyholders at a time in the main shop. But, we are still not able to perform repairs for Villagers. Notifications will be sent out when this rule changes.

Current keyholders are still making good use of the facility. No need to sign up ahead of time. Rules of operation are posted there; also, as of this writing, masks must still be worn.

You can email Pirate at Bruc5150@gmail.com or Bud Bradley at Hipbud2@gmail.com for any woodshop information. Thank you for your support and understanding.

GRAPES R US WINE CLUB

By Barbara Senior

Grapes Are Us is a monthly wine tasting meeting to compare wines, learn about wine characteristics and explore different regions. Meetings are the 3rd Friday of every month, formerly in the AR, but due to Covid restrictions, we currently meet virtu-

ally by Zoom. We send an invitation to the virtual meeting, those who RSVP receive two bottles of wine for \$20, collected when the bottles are delivered. The wines are selected by wine enthusiast, Jon Niemann. Adding to the tasting experience, a recipe now comes with the monthly invitation email.

In April we began a series called "Wines of the 101," starting with wines of Santa Barbara County, and moving north month by month through the wine regions on the 101, El Camino Real.

We are welcoming new members to the club. Join us and take part in the virtual tastings, learn a little and enjoy the wine experience. Drop a line to Janis at grapesruslvwineclub@gmail.com or call her at 805-910-9526.

LV BOWLING LEAGUE

By Gene Kinsey

The Leisure Village Bowling League is a group of fun-loving people who just want to laugh, bowl and have a good time every Friday morning at Harley's Camarillo Bowl. For questions about this club please call Bobi Shmerling at 805-389-1975 or Gene Kinsey at 805-796-5858.

We are off to a great start with our Summer league. In our first

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LV Bowling Club

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week the high single games were Savina Crosetti for the women with a 148 and Art Titen for the men with a 180. The high series for the women was Gail Singer with a 348 and Gene Kinsey for the men with a 467. Come and join us every Friday morning at 9 at Harley's Camarillo Bowl. Cost is \$11 per week. Maybe you just want to practice to get ready for our Fall league; now is the time.

WOMEN'S GOLF

By Patti Crichton

LVWGA is an organization which encourages participation in golfing activities for new golfers as well as experienced players. We have special tournaments throughout the year, including some events where we collaborate with the Men's Golf for friendly competi-

tions followed by luncheons.

Activities are moving along in the Women's Golf world. The LVWGA had a meeting in May. Tournaments are back on Wednesday mornings as of May 19th. Tee time is 8am. Please arrive 15 minutes early for organization. Each group will need two scorecards, each signed by two players, to submit at the Clubhouse.

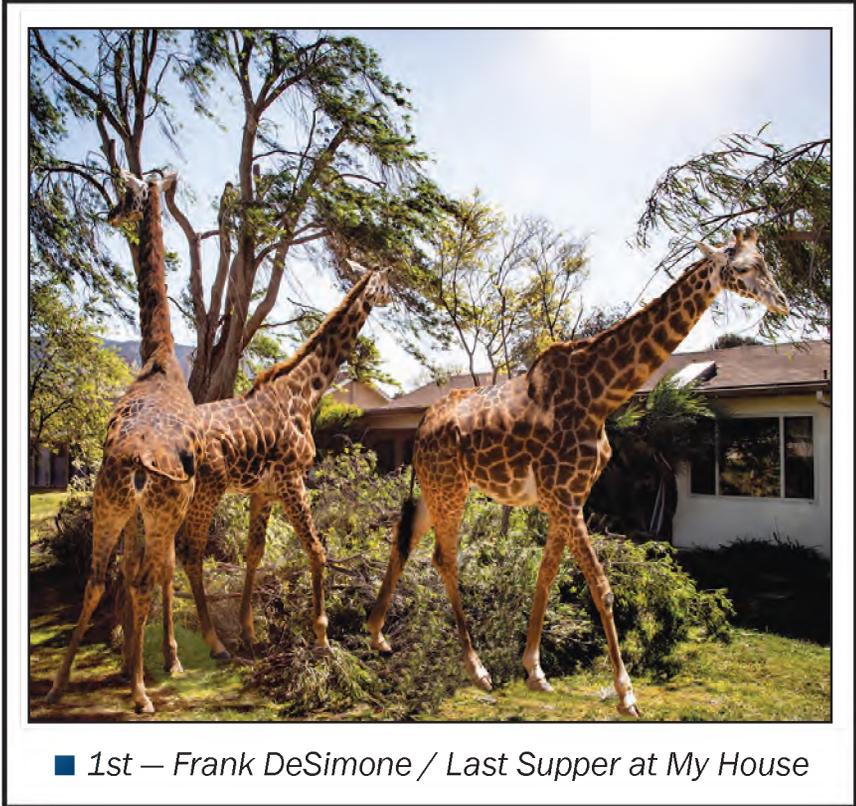
Our 2021 memberships are due, \$10 to Geri DeSimone or Kathy Whitesell. The Club Championship is scheduled for the last two weeks of June. Let's get back in the swing of things!

LV MUSIC CLUB

By Marci Lapair

For many years the LV Music Club has provided seven monthly activities for the enjoyment of the Village. The admission for these events is free to all the villagers.

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LV Music Club

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One of these activities is Open “Mic” Night which is held the first Friday of each month in the AR from 7:00pm to 9:00pm. Talented LV residents and special outside guests have provided us with enjoyable entertainment.

Two of our LV Board members, Dick Guttman and Bob Buelling have provided wonderful music. Dick Guttman has emceed and played the organ on some of the evenings. Bob Buelling with his musical partner has performed bluegrass music. On many Open “Mic” Nights, Richard Weiss has played the piano to the delight of the LV audience. Another resident of the village who has performed is George Young, who played the saxophone in the Saturday Night Live band for many years.

We have had singers, pianists and dancers from outside the village come and perform for us. The Music Club is looking forward to when we can resume Open “Mic” Night and scheduled entertainment for the enjoyment of all the Villagers.

RACQUET CLUB

By Arnie Kremer

With the availability of COVID-19 vaccines and the drop in cases, hospitalizations, etc. the Racquet Club is awaiting permission from the LV Board to resume Club meetings and activities. We do have the okay to hold our first LV Racquet Club Tennis Tournament. It is Doubles Play and Double Elimination. All Tennis Group players have been fully vaccinated. The matches just started and all info is on the Courtside Bulletin Board. Coach Gary Carroll is running the tournament.

We are anticipating tournaments for Pickleball and Paddle Tennis are not far off. Please continue to observe Leisure Village COVID-19 safety guidelines.



Photo by JOSEPH BENTI

The Chair of the Men’s Regulation Golf Tournaments, Jack Bozajian, finds that golf and his art experiences have a lot in common.

MEN’S GOLF

By Joseph Benti

On his long journey after being drafted while a student at UCLA and sent off to fight in Vietnam, a long career in the food business and a post-retirement love of art that began with a drawing class at Pierce College, Jack Bozajian has learned many life lessons.

His dedication to art, however, led him to a lesson he applies to golf: “Just throw the paint,” he says, “And you become freer.” Same with golf, “Don’t worry if you’re any good, just play.”

He hopes more men in the Village might find the same release by joining the Men’s Golf Club. “At first, my game sucked,” he said. “But the company was great. And there was always somebody ready to help me improve while we shared our stories.”

In the five and half years since he and his wife Deb (a member of the Women’s Golf Club and a passionate artist in several media,) moved here from West Hills, both his art and his game have gotten better—as well as their lives.

Says Jack, “Just let go and relax.”

Talk about relaxed, the Club’s #1 golfer, Howard Sonstegard had another hole-in-one on May 15th. When asked how many that made it, he wasn’t sure.

Want more information about being a member? Call James Murchie (our Prez) at 805-407-4912.

VILLAGE ARTS

By Patti Crichton

Village Arts comprises artists who create paintings and collages, using different media, including acrylics, watercolors, pastels, pencil crayons, oils, pen and ink. Experience levels range from the beginner to the very

knowledgeable.

News Alert! The Lanai Room is now open for our use Monday-Friday from 9am-4:45pm. We have space to create art with large tables, a sink and cupboards full of art supplies.

You may have already seen the announcement via the LV Blast and president David Kiefer’s group email. Stay tuned for more updates. Room capacity is five people. First come, first served is the policy for now. Social

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Village Arts

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distancing and masks are still required. Members: Please don't hesitate, go and enjoy the Lanai Room.

Keep painting!

PLAYERS GUILD

By Linda O'Neill

Our June show which comes at the end of this month is entitled "Summertime in the USA." We expect to have 18 performers and, if the rate of COVID continues to decline, it may be our last video show. I'm not holding my breath.

Just to give you a taste of what's in store, here is a preview of some of the singers and their songs. Chuck Kiskaden has been waiting for a show where he can sing a song he loves: "Sailing!" as it was sung by Christopher Cross

in 1979. Arlene Kochans will sing "Summertime," composed by George Gershwin in 1935 for the opera, Porgy and Bess. Vivian Hollander will perform "Anchors Aweigh" which was written in 1906 as a fight song for the United States Naval Academy Band. She has her sailor suit ready, but at this moment, is investigating middy blouses (remember those?) Still feeling patriotic, Vivian will belt out a rousing version of George M. Cohan's "You're a Grand Old Flag." Feel free to sing along.

It took four men (Henry Mayer, Heinz Meier, Johnny Mercer and Hans Bradtke) to come up with the melody and genius lyrics of "Summer Wind" made so popular by Frank Sinatra. It will be sung, however, by just one woman: Debra Guill. I am planning a tribute to the Army Air Corps, now the United States Air Force, which will include the poem "High Flight" and the

U.S. Air Force Song, originally entitled "Wild Blue Yonder." I predict Buster Hayslett is going to charm us all with "Hot Diggity" as recorded by Perry Como in 1956 with "Juke Box Baby" on the flip side. Ah, "Boom, what you do to me!"

This Players' Guild salute to our country and to summer will air Saturday, June 26 and Sunday, June 27 at 10 am, 3pm and 8 pm on LVTV 1390. Have your hot dog and cherry pie ready and remember to sing along.

BONE BUILDERS

By Alice Moffet

RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program) sponsored Bone Builder classes were held several times a week in the Santa Rosa room pre-COVID. Exercises are specifically geared for seniors to improve balance and increase bone density. Sessions are 1 hour in length and

registration is required. Once we get clearance to resume, classes will be on Monday and Wednesday at 8:15 and 9:30. We look forward to restarting Bone Builders as soon as we get clearance to resume use of the Santa Rosa room.

Please call Alice at 805-437-6169 for more information.

WORKSHOP FOR WRITERS

By Pat Lagerstrom

In May, spring flowers bloomed and paraded before members of Workshop For Writers. What a delight that so many members took pen in hand to share their thoughts. We heard about the teenage daughter who, "like a caterpillar, slowly crawls out of bed." Then, "bad virus you can't dance with me, got my shots for immunity." Further, "your grandfather";

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Painting on a group of Brentwood models at Village 39 and LV Drive.

Painting

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stage - will be 47 homes.

- Village 40 will be next - 48 homes.
 - Village 44 after that - 89 homes
- Total for this wave: 223.

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Writing

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“He wasn’t really your grandfather.” Good writing is always a pleasure to read.

Workshop For Writers has come back to life, and is now waiting for the go-ahead to meet at the Recreation Center on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month in the Lanai Room. For more information please call Frank Seiden at 805-437-6242 or Mark Sconce at 805-586-4485.

THE STONERS BEAD & CRAFT CLUB

By Alice Moffet

The Stoners continue to make jewelry & craft items.

We also continue to do most jewelry repairs, for a donation to our group. If you are in need of this service, or would like to purchase one of the items on display, you may contact Fil Barton at 805-987-3637.

Enjoy the Coming Summer

Information on avoiding heat, dehydration and staying safe

Summer Heat often presents numerous opportunities to spend quality time with friends and family – all under the warm sunny skies. For many, summer is the perfect chance to get out and make connections with Villagers and re-build relationships. The nice weather may be enticing, the excessive heat that comes with the sun’s powerful rays can be life-threatening. Seniors especially need to safeguard themselves from the threat of heat exhaustion, heat stroke, and dehydration.

As we age, it becomes increasingly difficult for our bodies to adjust to shifting temperatures. For one, our ability to perspire or sweat – arguably our primary heat regulation mechanism – loses efficiency the older we get. Other factors that influence heat sensitivity include decreased blood circulation, certain prescription medications (particularly diuretics or those

taken for hypertension), and being overweight or underweight.

Our body has a harder time conserving water the older we get. When relying solely on thirst to stay hydrated, the risk of becoming dehydrated can increase significantly. Dehydration that goes unchecked can lead to an electrolyte imbalance, reduced blood volume, urinary tract infections, kidney failure, and even death.

Here are few simple tips to avoid the complications that may come with excessive heat:

- Check the Forecast and Timing. Know what to expect before going outside. If the temperature is going to be in the upper 80s or 90s, it’s probably best just to stay inside until the afternoon cool-down. Even in cooler weather, try to avoid going out when the sun’s ultraviolet rays are strongest, between 10AM and 3PM.

- Dress Appropriately. The key is to dress in clothing that is lightweight, breathable, and light in color. Loosely woven or ventilated

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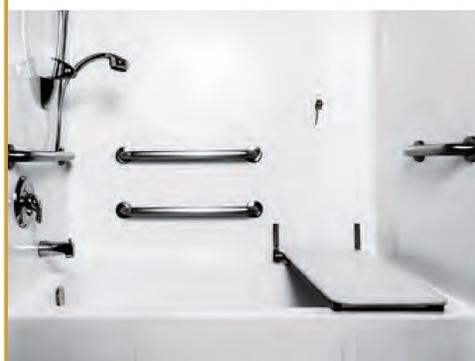
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Friends of Camarillo Library Seeks Volunteers

By Joline Warren

When my family initially moved to Camarillo in 1965 the Library was one room on Ventura Blvd. It was so exciting when the “new” Library opened up by the Boys and Girls Club. Then in 2007 our spectacular current Library was built. When my mom, Yola Chalker, moved back to Camarillo and into Leisure Village, one of the first things we did was sign her up to volunteer at the



Friends of the Camarillo Library.

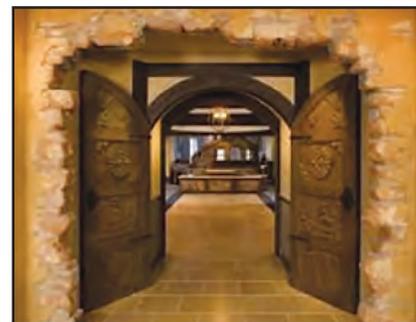
The Friends of the Camarillo Library is a non-profit, 501(c)3 tax exempt corporation run completely by volunteers. Since its beginnings in the early 70s, the Friends has consistently supported the Library. Financial support increased in the last decade as a result of the Friends Bookstore. The present Friends Bookstore opened on March 26, 2007, at the new Camarillo Library, 4101 Las Posas



Road. It is now a vital part of the magnificent Camarillo Library.

The Bookstore continues to be operated and managed with the help of more than 100 volunteers several of whom reside in the Village. Over the years, the Friends has provided more than 3 million dollars to the Library for books, materials and support of Library programs and to help meet the unmet needs of the Library.

The Friends of the Camarillo Library’s mission focuses on bringing the services and facilities of the Camarillo Public Library to the attention and interest of the Camarillo community. The



Interior view of one of the doorways in the Library.

Friends helps support the library by providing funding of new book and magazine purchases, library materials and supplies. Other unmet needs of the library include decorative furnishings and building enhancements that we provide assistance with. The Friends provides support for a full range of year-round library programs for children through seniors, as well as a travel service for its members.

Currently looking for volunteers to fill three essential positions

Website Manager to take over the updating and maintenance of our Wix website. This work can be done from home. We need someone with experience in front-end web design and graphics. This is a Friends board position. The Website Manager typically puts in 12-15 hours a month, which includes attending (currently via Zoom) the monthly board meeting.

Online Book Sales Volunteers work on a small team made up of volunteers to list and sell books online using Amazon and eBay. Training and guidance will be provided.

The Amigos Editor produces the electronic and paper mailings of the Friends of the Camarillo Library newsletter (Amigos). The Amigos Editor is a voting member of the Board of Directors. The Amigos is delivered electronically via MailChimp and the paper copy through Mail Manager. Knowledge of Microsoft Publisher, MailChimp, Canva, or similar services is helpful.

Details regarding each of these positions along with general skills needed, requirements, and commitments can be found on the website <https://www.friendscamarillolibrary.org/volunteer>. Inquiries can be sent to admin@friendscamarillolibrary.org. Please consider volunteering or referring interested friends and neighbors. Let’s keep our beautiful Library a welcome part of the Camarillo community!

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The Saga of the Downed P-38 Lightnings

■ Parts of this article were printed in The Camarillo News, Friday May 5, 1944

by Ron Fleishman

Two P-38 Lightning fighter plane pilots miraculously escaped death shortly before noon Thursday when their planes collided in the air over Camarillo Heights. Both pilots immediately jumped from their planes and were saved by their parachutes. The planes struck the ground about two miles apart and were completely destroyed by fire. Both planes were from the Van Nuys fighter base. Names of the pilots were not disclosed.

One plane crashed and burned near the corner of Las Posas and Arneill Roads on the Thomas Ranch. A number of citrus trees were destroyed by the burning plane. Sight-seers were kept away from the plane by exploding ammunition. The second fighter plane fell into a canyon in the hills above Camarillo Heights. It too exploded and was completely destroyed by the fire which followed. The blazing plane set fire to the hillside brush and several acres were burned over before the fire was extinguished by the Camarillo fire department.

The twin engines aboard the P-38 Lightnings were encased in sleek metal cowlings, and each had the power of 1,325 horses and weighed 1,445 pounds. The aviation engines were called Allison. Until that fateful day in May, 1944, they flew and performed with no problems to their pilots or mechanics, or so says the accident report written about them.

The twin-boomed P-38 Lightning dove 6,000 feet uncontrolled into the dirt and sand of the hill in what is now called Camarillo Heights. In one instant, the Allison engines were buried in the hill – never to fly again.

One cold and rainy day in January of 2006, the owner of



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P-38 Lightning planes in flight.

the hill became curious about the strange metal object poking its way to the surface. Armed with a small gardening tool, she began to dig and scrape away the sand. Her name was Paige Hibbits, and she didn't mind getting her hands dirty. She also had a strong desire to preserve history in her community. She dug and scraped and cleaned the rusted, charred block of metal. Not knowing what this object was, she sent an email to Commemorative Air Force Southern California Wing Webmaster Dave Flood. Soon several members of the CAF went up the hill to see what was there, and Vern Olson identified the remains as an Allison engine.

An engine from the second plane had been left on the side of a hill above Thomas Ranch. Walt Metcalf climbed to the site with Pat Macha, an aviation archaeologist in March 2006. Macha identified the engine as the right-hand engine of a P-38 Lightning fighter plane. Walt Metcalf stated that the CAF would like to put the engine in its museum – if they could figure out how to get it off the hill.

The engine and its story had become part of the tour through the CAF's WWII Aviation Museum at Camarillo Airport. The docents would point to a table of mangled metal pieces that had been brought down off the hill. They would point from the hangar door at Camarillo Airport to the hill north of Camarillo, and tell the story of what had happened so long ago. Pair of Lockheed P-38 Lightnings flying over Southern California during WWII.

THE PAPER BARK TREE

By Mark Scorse

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Summer Heat

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hats can also help shield the face from the sun's rays. Although not clothing-related, it's vital to also wear sunscreen when going outside.

- Stay Hydrated— If planning on spending extended time outside, ensure that adequate water is available. Above all, it's imperative not to wait until you are thirsty to drink. Stick to a drinking schedule or continually take small sips.

- Take a Break— When it comes to spending time with others during the summer, it's common for us to stay exposed to the sun longer than we are used to. Be sure to take shade and cooling breaks often throughout the day. If you are not near home, go to any public, air-conditioned building to get away from the heat.

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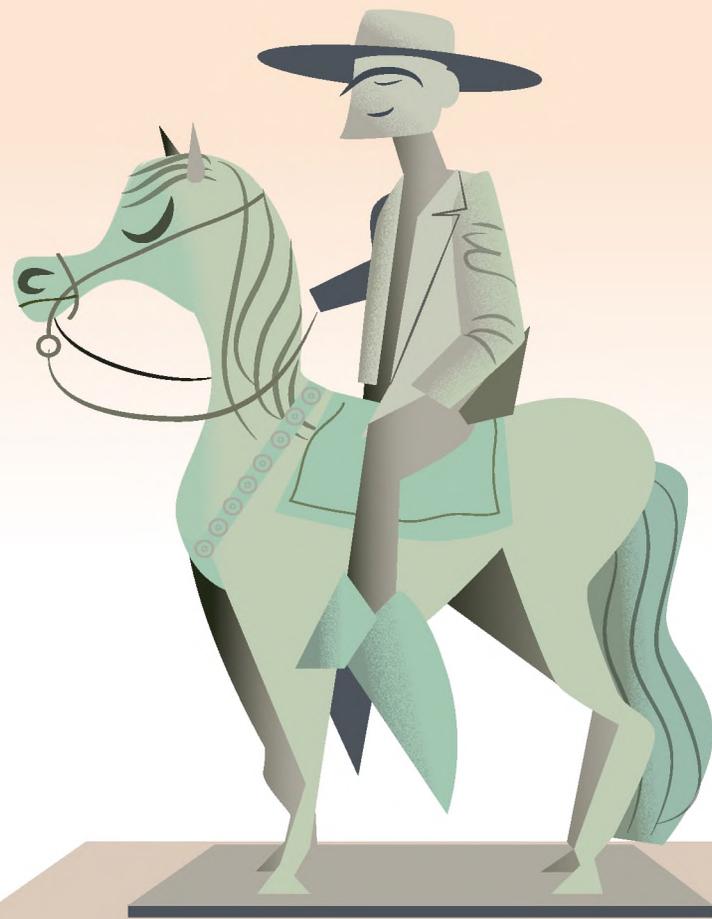
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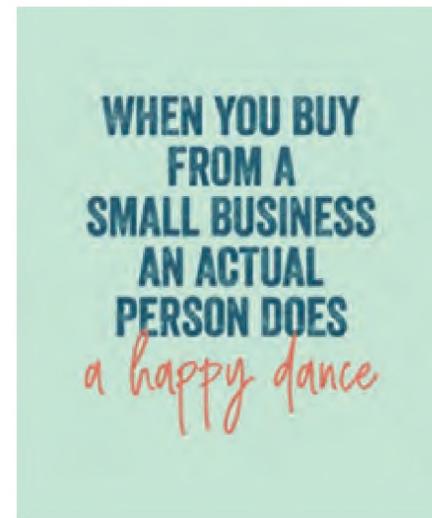
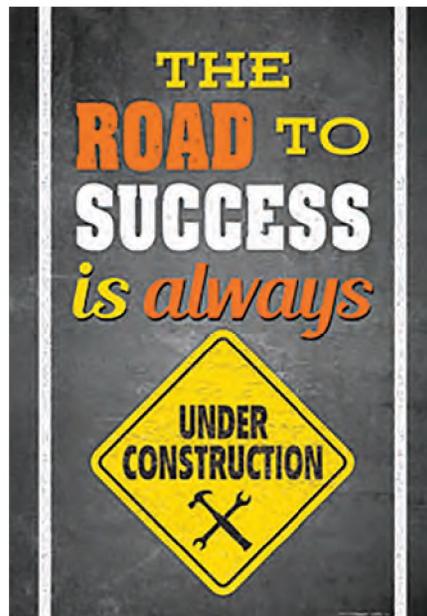
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These businesses that are the foundation of our economy were the hardest hit by the government-ordered shut downs in response to the COVID-19 virus. During the same time that small and medium businesses suffered, big businesses experienced the opposite effect and profited more than ever before.

Barlow Realty is a small, family-owned business. We know and appreciate what it takes to build a small business and keep it going, and appreciate our fellow small-business-owners in our community. With that, we would like to tip our hats to those who have struggled and survived this past year, and encourage everyone who reads this to support local, small businesses now more than ever before.

For June, we are putting a list of some of our favorite local small businesses on our website. We will also highlight specials and coupons that some of them are offering, so be sure to go to our 'Barlows Got Your Back' section of our website and check it out. Please share with us what your favorite local small business is, and why, and we are happy to share your feedback there as well. Let's come together as a community to help our community prosper by supporting local, small businesses!

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