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Happy Halloween!

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Board Meeting Notes

Board Approves Additional Striping

By unanimous vote the Board approved additional striping from the main gate to the Office as well as lane defining striping at each intersection within the Community.

George Weir Asphalt Construction will do this work at a cost of \$765.00. The striping will be yellow with reflective glass beads added for better visibility at night.

Board Delays Decision On Dance Floor

The Board voted to table a motion to resurface the dance floor in the Village Hall. Staff was directed to evaluate alternatives to resurfacing up to and including replacing the floor with laminate which has a much longer life and much less maintenance.

Next Board "Workshop":
October 18, 2004, at 9:00 AM, in the Card Room. (Always held the Monday prior to the Board meetings.)

Next Regular Board of Directors Meeting: October 20, 2004, at 1:00 PM, in the Village Hall.

Office Notes

ALUMINUM AND COPPER WIRING: Several residents who have older homes have reported that during inspections, problems with electrical outlets and switches have been noted. This generally involves aluminum and copper wiring not being properly connected. This may cause arcing and can be very dangerous. Residents may wish to have this checked by a qualified, licensed and insured electrical contractor.

FREE FLU SHOTS: Will be available at Champagne Village November 4th, from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM, in the Village Hall. The shots will be at no cost to you; however you must register at the Village Hall office **BEFORE** October 28th. The shots are for *Champagne Village Residents only*. The flu shots are sponsored by Palomar/Pomerado Health System. Volunteers are Champagne Village Residents who are Palomar Medical Center auxiliary members.

Board Minutes and financial statements are available in the small card room for your reading. SAC financials are posted monthly and may be viewed at this same location.

VOICE OF THE TIMES

Be sure to read before November 2

In these days preceding national elections, when the electorate cringes from unremarkable candidates piling tons of dubious claims and misinformation upon us, it is with pride and pleasure the Champagne Village Times endorses a remarkable candidate

Jean Slaughter

to continue serving as a Director of the Deer Springs Fire Protection District.

These are, indeed, increasingly perilous times. We should expend whatever effort is necessary to choose the absolutely most qualified people to protect our very lives and our properties. And here, in our District, we got lucky.

Let's look at the record:

Experience -- 28 years with the Pasadena Fire Dept. Fire Marshal in charge of Prevention and Arson Investigation. Administrative Officer responsible for preparation and management of \$9 million budget, and for the careers of some 200 employees. Retired as Assistant Chief.

Education – USC -- B.S. Degree in Public Administration
UC Berkeley --- Vocational Teachers Certificate

Thus the student became the teacher. Taught Fire Science classes for 2 years at Pasadena City College.

Military -- Naval Reserve, five years. Two years active duty during the Korean War.

Civic, Other -- Former Director and V.P. Champagne Village Board. Active in Village affairs, business and social.

Truthfulness -- Unquestioned. Publicly admits to being a longtime Padres fan.

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Early on, we used the word remarkable. Did you ever see a closer fit between candidate qualifications and "job" requirements? Remarkable.

Let's not miss this chance to help ourselves by

voting for Jean.

SPEEDING STUDY REPORT

By Warren Denny

The Speeding Study Group (SSG) met basically to review the situation and the data assembled to date. The Group (Messrs. Service, Riggs and Denny) thanks you folks for your written comments and suggestions. To date we've received proposals for new stop signs, speed bumps, and persuasive articles in the CV Times. Please "keep them cards and letters comin'."

Very broadly, our objective is to strive for correction essentially through heightened resident awareness and a resolve to "get it done." Soon you will see visuals designed to progress toward both these key goals.

The Group did some basic research on how long it takes to drive between certain random points at selected speeds. These data will be one base for a Times page each month just before the Yellow Pages. First one this issue.

Let's hear from you.

SOME TO FACE FIRE PROTECTION FEE

Californians who live in areas where fire protection is provided by the state Department of Forestry and Fire Protection will see a new fee on their next property tax bills.

As a result of state budget cuts, the agency lost \$50 million from its firefighting budget.

To make up the money, property owners in areas covered by CDF will have a \$35 annual fee tacked onto their property taxes -- \$70 on their next bill -- half for this past year and half for next year. The fee will be charged per parcel of land.

The new fee will affect private property owners living in "state responsibility areas" served by CDF.

Homes in areas that already contract with CDF – called local responsibility areas (Champagne Village) – are exempt from the new fee.

The fee goes into effect Jan. 1.

S **OCIAL ACTIVITIES BULLETIN**

By Sue Kessler

The Hoedown, many thanks to the Rowes and their wonderful committee, was a huge success and an evening that will be remembered for a long time. The Slaughters and their Heritage Dancers added so much to the entertainment. A special thanks to the Cowans, the Whaites, and the Quimbys, for staying and cleaning the hall and kitchen. And one final note of thanks to Mark Barshear for arranging with Heather at the Hawthorn Country Store for the bales of hay. Everyone's support was really appreciated!!!

Jerry's Horseshoe Tournament and Picnic in the Park was well attended and there were games for everyone. We appreciate Jerry's hard work in providing us an additional horseshoe area. There are now two pits for everyone to enjoy. Again, thanks to all who helped to make this such a fun day.

FIRST FRIDAY DANCE

OCTOBER 1st, SOCIAL/DANCE 5:00 PM.

The October First Friday Dance has a lot of special surprises. The first being The RB Swingtet, which is a 4 piece band playing music we all love.

October birthdays will be recognized with birthday cake and ice cream. This will be preceded by our second surprise..."walking tacos." Hmmm. Be sure to sign up in the Village Hall.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

By Mark Henderson

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3rd.



From 8:00 AM to 9:30 AM, in the Village Hall. Cost is only \$2.00. Bring your own table service.

We served 186 hungry residents last month and look forward to your support. I apologize for

running out of food occasionally, but as you might imagine, it's a hard call to make.

Our hours are changing from 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM to 8:00 AM until 9:30 AM. We can serve all who come in 1½ hours. This allows the men the opportunity to take a long Sunday afternoon nap.

Please remember all are welcomed and kids under 6 are free! If you are inviting a group to join you, please call Linda Harper (751-0075) 5 to 6 days

prior to the breakfast. This allows her the time and opportunity to purchase wisely for our breakfast. So, on October 3rd, we anticipate seeing lots of bright and cheery faces with plates and silverware in hand!

ALL AMERICAN REGIONAL POTLUCK SUNDAY, OCTOBER 10th.

1:00 PM to 4:00 PM.

Get out those "old-time" favorite recipes from your childhood. It's time to swap stories and food with your neighbors.

Sign-up sheet is in the Village Hall. Be sure to represent your home town area and let us know you are coming.

SAC will be providing paper goods, cutlery and bottled water. Everything else is up to you; you are your area hostess!

Let's make this last big event in the park for this year a Doozy!

GAME NIGHT & READERS THEATER MONDAY, OCTOBER 11th.



Please bring finger food and your favorite game to share and be prepared to have a fun, fun night. Once again, Carl Natoni and cast will entertain us

with a Readers Theater presentation at 5:00 PM. Why not ask a neighbor or friend to attend with you?

HALLOWEEN PARTY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30th.

For a Howling Halloween plan on attending the annual dinner dance on Saturday, October 30th.

This event is always a sell-out, so sign up early; the limit is 200. The Cradit Union, a favorite big band sound, will play for us. The catered menu sounds fantastic, the costume prizes incredible and the decorations amazing. Many laughs and fun are guaranteed at this great event.

The SAC Committee is always open to ideas and suggestion for activities...any help at any function is more than appreciated.

HONORING OUR VETERANS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20th.

The third annual Thanksgiving dinner honoring our Vets will take place on Saturday, November 20th at 5:00 PM. For the first time this year our Vets' dinners will be free; however, spouses or guests will pay \$5.00. After dinner a men's singing group, "Premium Blend", will entertain. Dancing will follow.

ALL residents are invited. The sign-up sheet will be up in a few weeks. Please watch for it. If you have any questions call Mimi Baca (751-1032).

HOLIDAY HOME TOUR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 19th, 2:00 PM

Our 3rd Annual Holiday Home Tour will be held on Sunday, December 19th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. Do you have Holiday decorations that you have treasured over the years? Would you like your neighbors to see them? If you are interested in opening your home or have any questions, please call Mimi Baca (751-1032). A few weeks before the home tour, a flyer will be placed in your mail box with a complete list of the participating open houses. This is a free event; however, any donations we collect will go toward the building of the permanent stage in our park.

PERFORMING ARTS

By Joyce Harrington

We've heard of Mame, the Unsinkable Molly Brown, Heidi and Gigi, There is yet another woman of pluck to be found in the movie, *Vanity Fair*. This is a period piece and the costumes are luscious!

The scenes of London and the English countryside look like favorite oils found in museums throughout the world.

This is a story of a disadvantaged girl and how she becomes a woman of substance. I'll say nothing more. Go see it. It will appeal to all.

CHAMPAGNE COMPUTER CLUB

By Richard Coffman



The Champagne Computer Club will meet at 7:00 PM, Monday October 4th in the Card Room of the Village Hall. Any resident of the

Village is invited to attend.

Subjects discussed are latest developments in computers, troubleshooting computer problems and general sharing of information. Also we will be discussing publishing a website for the Village that will cost us nothing. Likely we will form a separate interest group if enough persons are interested. The website would let us share photos of Village activities, contain stories about interesting individuals in the Village and many other features. If enough people are interested in maintaining the site, it would be a lot of fun!

INCOME INVESTMENTS TOPIC FOR INDEPENDENT INVESTORS GROUP

By Richard Coffman

The Independent Investor Group, a special interest group of the Champagne Computer Club, led by Dale Matheny, will meet at 6:00 PM Monday, October 4th in the Card Room of the Village Hall. Any resident of the Village is invited to attend. Investment strategies and ideas are shared by members of this group. Join the group for a stimulating discussion.

CHAMPAGNE SINGLES

By Mimi Baca

OCTOBER POTLUCK

The Singles Potluck will be held in the Village Hall on Friday, October 8th at 6:00 PM. Newcomers are especially welcome! Please sign up in the Village Hall so the hostesses will know how many place settings are needed. The October hostesses will be Dona Lange, Liffie Trumble, Jeanette Lennon and Sally Wyatt. (A big thank you to September's hostesses - Madge Morse and Gertrude Conca.)

Put on your thinking caps. We will conduct nominations for three officers to head our Singles group. The three positions are Chair, Head of Programs and Treasurer. More about this will be discussed during our October Potluck. And please check your social calendars for November because we need hosts/hostesses for our November Potluck. Call Jennie Shaw (751-8909) to find out more about this fun assignment.

TRAVEL

By Joe Klopp

ALL TRIPS DEPART FROM THE LAUNDRY AREA. - You may need a jacket on any of the trips. - I provide water & a light snack. You are always welcome to bring your own refreshments.

Oktoberfest in Big Bear

Sunday, October 17th: - \$39

THIS TRIP IS A GO! We still have seats available. Spend the day in the beautiful San Bernardino Mountains at the Oktoberfest: Enjoy sing-alongs, dance lessons, log-sawing contests, yodeling contest and much more. Lunch will be on your own with many German & American food booths to choose from. **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motor coach, bingo, movie, snacks along the way, and driver's gratuity. **Departs 9:30 AM - Return about 7:00 PM. NOTE:** You may want to bring a jacket, as it could be chilly.

"The Glory of Christmas" at the Crystal Cathedral.

Sunday, December 5th - \$72

Dinner at Knotts Berry Farm

This annual Christmas event is performed in the world famous Crystal Cathedral, a story of the birth of Christ, told in a way that actually makes you feel as if you were there. This is the most elaborate Christmas Nativity of its kind. We will have a **chicken dinner with dessert at Knott's Berry Farm.** We only have a few seats left. Depart 1:30 PM - Dinner 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM - Performance at 5:30 PM - Return 9:00 PM. **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motor coach, dinner, snacks coming home, and driver's gratuity. **Pay by Oct. 5th.**

NEW — JUST ADDED

THE SAN DIEGO SUN HARBOR CHORUS ITS 29TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS SHOW

"A TWO ACT PLAY IN FOUR PART HARMONY"

Saturday, December 18th - \$26 - At Balboa Park's Casa del Prado Theater

The 29th annual Christmas show; a two-act play that includes your favorite holiday music. Lots of fun may be had at this performance for guests of all ages. So bring your kids and grandkids for a memorable event. Come see one of Champagne Village's own Milos Koutsky (unit 416). Milos is

the chorus manager and has been singing with the group for seventeen years! Folks in the park that have seen it say it's a must see show.



Depart 4:30 PM - Return about 9:00 PM. **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motor coach, Christmas Show and driver's gratuity. **Pay by Nov 1st.**

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Want to go somewhere? Please pick up a "SUGGEST A TRIP" form in the office from Karin. I scheduled the following trips based on WHERE YOU told me you want to go.

PLEASE RESERVE YOUR SEAT EARLY.

People have started to book these trips - Please don't delay

Las Vegas, NV. - Golden Nugget

February 7, 8, 9 (Mon. Tu. Wed.) -

OVER HALF THE SEATS BOOKED ALREADY!

3 days/2 nts - \$117 per person double, \$163 single, \$120 Triple - The Golden Nugget, downtown. **INCLUDES:** 1 Free breakfast buffet, 1 welcome cocktail, baggage handling, driver's gratuity and a deluxe motor coach! Of course we will have snacks, movies, bingo and lots more fun! Depart Mon.8:00 AM - Return Wed. 6:30 PM. **Pay by Dec. 15th**

Sunday, March 13th

"Glory of Easter" at the Crystal Cathedral - \$73

This tour begins with **dinner at the Hometown Buffet** before departing to the largest and most spectacular passion play in the world, brought to life through exciting drama, song and pageantry. The Easter Pageant is famous for its life-like recreation of earthquakes, thunderstorms and lightning inside the all glass building. Flying angels soar overhead while live animals' parade down the aisles. You'll thoroughly enjoy the show. (I selected the better seats, as it was only an increase of five dollars) **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motor coach, dinner, snacks coming home, and driver's gratuity. Depart 2:30 PM - Dinner 4:30 PM - Performance 6:30 PM - Return Approx. 10:00 PM. **Pay by Jan. 24th.**

Palm Springs Follies

Wednesday, April 13, 2005 - \$66

OVER HALF THE SEATS BOOKED ALREADY!

The Palm Springs Follies is a fantastic show and one that once you see it you'll want to make it an annual event. All the actors are between 50 & 80 and are retired performers that put together a Vaudeville act sure to please everyone. Before the show enjoy shopping and lunch on your own at one of the many restaurants nearby.

INCLUDES: Deluxe Coach, Reserved Follies Seats, snacks and Driver's Gratuity. Please reserve your seats early. The contract calls for a 90-day cancellation notice. This trip was a great success in April 2004 and it sold out so book early. Departs 9:00 AM arrives back 6:30 PM. **Pay by Jan. 1st.**

June 1 and 2nd, 2005 (Wed. & Thurs.)

Hearst Castle/Dinner Cruise/Morro Bay - 2 days, 1 nt.

\$175 Per Person/double - \$219 Single - \$170 Triple - We will stop in **Solvang** on the way for lunch on your own and a little shopping! After checking in, take a stroll along the Wharf with its most interesting shops and the beauty of the ocean all around you. Enjoy a two-hour **Dinner Cruise** (w/champagne) aboard a 64-foot Paddle Wheeler, the Tiger's Folly II. You will rest peacefully at the Blue Sail Inn and wake up to a Continental breakfast before your tour of the **Historic Hearst Castle**. Depart 7:30 AM June 1st. - Return approx. 6:00 PM June 2nd.

INCLUDES: Deluxe Motor coach, Lodging, Dinner Cruise, Contl. Bkfst. Tour Hearst Castle, snacks, driver's gratuity and of course, bingo, prizes and a movie or two.

Pay by April 1st.

Showtime Cabaret Luncheon Theatre

"The Lights of Broadway"

Wednesday, August 10th. - \$66 - Showtime Cabaret Luncheon Theatre in Burbank.

A first class gourmet luncheon is served before the performance at the **Castaways Restaurant**. (Choose upon sign-up: Prime Rib, or Atlantic salmon). You will absolutely love this high quality show. The cast will perform scenes, songs and dances from your favorite musicals from the 20's to the 50's, recreating the days of Vaudeville and Broadway! If you enjoyed going to the Follies in Palm Springs, you will love this one! **INCLUDES:** Deluxe Motor coach, Luncheon, snacks coming

home, and driver's gratuity. Departs 9:45AM - 12:00 PM Lunch - 1:30 PM Show - Arrive back 6:00 PM. **Pay by July. 1st.**

Working on final dates for the following trips:

October 2005 - Newport Beach Harbor Cruise & Rogers Gardens

Reserve your seats by calling Joe or Mary Klopp 749-1314

PAYING PROCEDURE:

Please pay for your trip by check made out to Joe Klopp and put in my mailbox at 414 Myrtle. Note in "Memo" on the check, which trip it is for. You do not have to pay until the pay date but please reserve your seat early so I will know if we have enough so I won't have to cancel the trip. **NO** checks will be cashed until we have enough reservations to take the trip. If the trip is cancelled I will return your original check. Call me if you want to pay by cash.

REFUND POLICY: There will be a 100% refund policy up to the pay date; after the pay date, unfortunately, I will be unable to refund your money; however, I will make every attempt to resell your reservation to someone else and return your money.

NOTE: Some people have suggested the USS Midway Museum or the Reagan Library - **Please call** me if you are interested in either one of these and when enough people show interest I will schedule the trip. **Due to a lack of response in either of these trips I am not pursuing them further.**

FRIENDS AND RELATIVES ARE WELCOME TO TRAVEL WITH YOU

?? CHESS ANYONE ??

If anyone would be interested in playing CHESS or learning how please call

Joe Klopp (749-1314)

***** HEARTS *****



I now have a few people who would like to play hearts. I have given a list of all who called me. If you did not get a list and you want to play please call me. Why not call someone on the list and play or come to game night on the 2nd

Monday of the month at 5:00 PM; hopefully as we get more players we can get together and pick a time to have a regular meeting. If you would like to play please call Joe or Mary Klopp (749-1314).



BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK:

By Gertude Conca

If anyone needs to have their blood pressure checked, please phone me (749-3052). It appears that most people own a blood pressure monitoring instrument. Therefore I will no longer do B.P. on the first Friday of the month.

CV MEN'S GOLF CLUB

By Terry Quimby

The Champagne Village Men's Golf Club's monthly meeting was held August 26th in the Village Hall. President Quimby opened the meeting with a moment of silence for two members who had passed away – Alan Douglass & Jerry Marecek.

Our player of the year chairman, Tom Clatworthy, said that Bob Olsen was ahead on the Fountains and Billy Smith was ahead on the Oaks.

Our Ryder Cup chairman, Bud Steen, had everything organized for our Ryder Cup, September 14th, 15th and 16th. Unfortunately our team fell short by only ½ a point, so the Fountain's Men's Club will retain the trophy for one more year. Next year, we'll get it back!

Bill Cowan reminded everyone of our "Safari" at the Colony, September 20th.

Joe Klopp won \$22.00 on our 50/50 drawing. Next meeting will be September 30th at 12:30 PM in the Village Hall; it will be a luncheon meeting.

FOUNTAINS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Doris Wright



Our monthly meeting was called to order by President Dottie Moore on Wednesday, September 8th. She welcomed Annette Maxhimer as our newest member to the Club.

A major part of the meeting was devoted to a discussion of the increase in San Diego IDC membership fees for next year. A motion was made to drop out of the IDC system and to revise the by-laws to eliminate reference to this membership. This would result in handicaps having to be calculated by a club member each month. The suggested change will be posted on the club bulletin board and a vote will be taken at the meeting in October.

President Moore announced that the Nominating Committee will post a slate of candidates for next year's officers.

The three week President's Cup match play tournament began on September 8th and the winners were honored with a luncheon following the final round on the 22nd. The results will appear in the next newsletter.

October 13th is one of the most important meetings of the year and members are encouraged to make a special effort to attend. New officers will be elected.

A major change in the by-laws will be decided by a 2/3rd majority of members physically present at the meeting. Please exercise your right to vote by attending this meeting. It's good practice for November 4th!



AND \$\$\$ quarterly sweeps will be paid at this meeting \$\$\$.

OAKS LADIES GOLF CLUB

By Priscilla De Arman



Our Treasurer is very excited about the money raised at our Bake Sale on September 6th. The sale brought in a little over \$270! And, there were customers who were disappointed when we ran out of goodies (especially breads). Sooo, I guess we'll just have to have another bake sale and really swamp the market with a lot more goodies.

Our thanks to the Men's Breakfast crew for allowing us to have our sale on their big day.



The change to the Hole-In-One fund was approved and the revised Standing Rules will be available at the next General Meeting on October 7th. The Club Handbook for 2004-2005 will also be available at that time.

Thanks to Linda Cherry and Karen Smith we had great "Light" refreshments at the meeting on September 2nd. Sorry that there weren't more members in attendance (Social as well as active). There was a lot of food left over.

Let's not forget our "White Elephant" exchange coming up on October 7th. Fun, fun, fun.

Plans for the Christmas Party are coming along and we hope you've all set aside the December 2nd date.

Coming up is Columbus day October 11th, and then Halloween brings in the end to Daylight Savings time. Sunday, October 31st.

TENNIS CLUB

By Joyce Harrington

The club annual picnic was a huge success! Good turn-out. Great food. Thanks again to Priscilla De Arman and her staff for a happy time for all.

Our next event is Play Day on October 10th, hosted by Billy and Doreen Smith. Coffee, juice and doughnuts start at 7:30. If you know of someone interested in tennis, bring him or her along.



Pizza Nights are October 8th and 22nd. Mark your calendar. A reminder bulletin will follow.

It's time to think about officers for next year. President Cal Adams has appointed a nominating committee to give us a slate of officers. Please give them your support and recommendations.

As a result of discussion during our last business meeting, a Beginners Tennis Group will begin on Monday, October 4th at 4:30 P.M. Cal and Gerry Adams will be the Club Pros for the month. Volunteers are needed to be our Club Pros for the following months. Please call Cal (749-8743).

More male players are needed for our Sunday doubles group. If interested, please contact Cal Adams to get on the schedule.

LIONS CLUB

By Mark Henderson

As Lions, we appreciate the opportunity to serve our community, giving of ourselves to benefit those in need. These needs are not defined by status or any other measure, recognizing our efforts play a key role in providing a quality of life for all of us.

As we come to our White Cane Drive in October, our main focus is the sight impaired and related programs. Money raised in our community is used locally to benefit a variety of programs from laser surgery research to providing food to guide dogs. We ask that you give generously to this noble cause, knowing 100% of your effort supports these programs.

We are having a car wash for donations on Saturday, October 23rd from 9:00 AM until? We will serve coffee and cinnamon rolls in the morning and iced tea with cookies in the afternoon. Bring your cars and golf carts down to the picnic area and meet the club with the motto "We Serve." If you would like to get your hands wet to help in our cause, we would be honored by your presence.



If you have any questions about Lionism or our club, we would love to hear from you. Call Mark and Sandi Henderson (749-5546)

HAPPY HANDS

By Sherry Geyer

Come join your fellow CV Neighbors at Happy Hands. We meet every Tuesday from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM at the Village Hall. We have been working on various needlework, knitting, and crocheting projects.

Fourteen of us met at the Village Deli to give a going away party for Nancy Musko, and then followed up at the Village Hall, where Jane Steen provided us with a delicious cake. We are going to miss you Nancy.

Come chat, work on a project, or learn how to do various kinds of needle work. Many of our friendly ladies would be more than glad to help you.

For further information---call Ruth Clutter (749-2646).

PINOCHLE

By Linda Cherry

Are you a pinochle player?

If you are new to Champagne Village or just have forgotten – WE DO have a group of pinochle players who meet the first and third Fridays of each month. The time is 1:00 PM in the Card Room. It's just a friendly, fun time – cost is \$1.00. If you are interested in playing – please give David or Linda Cherry (749-3790) a call and we'll put your name on the list of available players. Someone will call you the week of play and check if you're able to join us on Friday.

MONDAY MEN'S & WOMEN'S BRIDGE

By Alda Pickard

Monday Bridge is from 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM at the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome. The hostess for October will be Norma Moore (751-1784). Please call Melba (751-7011) for reservations if you are a newcomer to the Village.



TUESDAY NIGHT BRIDGE

By Mary Roth

Come join us at the Village Hall Tuesdays 7:00 PM. Everybody welcome Host for October is Marion Psota (751-3940).

BRIDGE FOR EVERYONE

By Bob Spencer

Every Tuesday afternoon, starting at 1:00 PM in the Card Room. No stress, no pain. Just relax and have fun. Singles welcomed. Call Bob Spencer (749-6698).



COUPLES BRIDGE

By Luella Guthrie

Wednesday, October 13th, at 5:00 PM, in the Village Hall. Hosts for the evening are Jane and Joe Wagner (749-1368), and Lue and Bernie Guthrie (749-7946).



Make your reservation to play by signing up on the bulletin board in the copy room. You may sign up to bring



(service for twelve) of Hors d'oeuvres or Dessert. Please bring your own libations.

Three prizes for women and three prizes for men are awarded. Please bring \$2.00 per couple for the prizes.

Come early, circulate, visit with friends and enjoy the delicious food that has been brought....and then Play Bridge!

CANASTA = PENNIES

By Betty Bearman

Meets 1:00 PM to 4:00 PM every Thursday in the Card Room. Call Betty Bearman (751-0477), for more information.

EZ TENNIS

By Doreen Burchett

Due to conflicting schedules, EZ Tennis will not be offered in the Village Hall on Friday mornings for the remainder of this year.

WATER EXERCISE

Deanna Clatworthy

Open to all interested ladies. Held at the pool on Monday, Wednesday & Friday at 10:00 AM. Come try the water aerobic 40 minute cassette tape. If you like it and plan to continue, there is a one time charge of \$5.00 to cover batteries, tapes and a new tape player when needed. See Rita or Deanna at the pool.

MEN'S POOL

By John Dolan

Come play with us weekdays. Call John Dolan (751-8500), or Skip Skillion (749-1811), for information.

ART CLASSES

By Bette Pickford

Professional artist Gordon Olson is conducting an exciting art class here at Champagne Village on the first and third Wednesday of every month from 2:30

PM to 3:30 PM in the Multi-Purpose Room (located behind the laundry). There is no closed enrollment and you pay a fee of \$4.00 only on the days that you are able to attend the class. The teacher supplies all of the art materials. Each student chooses which medium he/she wishes to use.

If you have any questions about this fun class, please feel free to call Bette Pickford (751-1445).

BUNKO

By Shirley Henderson

Our Bunko group meets on the second and fourth Friday's at 1:00 PM the Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to join us in fun and laughter. Those interested in playing, please call Shirley Henderson (749-6447), or Jody Barrows (749-0345).

Getting To Know...Jane Damerow

By LoReta Phelps

Jane was born in South Dakota and graduated from the University of South Dakota, the same as Tom Brokaw. However, she admits that she's a little older than he is.

She taught high school English and choral music in South Dakota and Minnesota, but was required to quit when she married. Schools didn't approve of married women teachers.

Her husband, Milt, a Navy pilot, was stationed at various bases. Jane would follow him, but many times there weren't any accommodations for wives so she would remain in South Dakota visiting him as often as possible. After his discharge, they went back to Glencoe, Minnesota.

Then in August of 1951, they became "modern day pioneers" and left Glencoe. With their two small sons and only what they could pack in their car, they headed for Santa Monica. Milt had a job with Douglas Aircraft and stayed with them through the company's changes and moves.

While teaching at Torrance High, Jane spent her first Easter week off in Guadalajara and Mexico City, traveling alone and at her own pace. She began using school vacations for her travels. On one trip she went to Buenos Aires and toured Argentina. Other times she would drive herself across the country to Iowa, South Dakota and Minnesota to visit friends.

In 1968 Jane decided to take off again because Milt

was very content staying home. She was her own travel agent and would make arrangements as she went so that she could spend as much time at each location as she wanted. During her travels, she would stay in touch with her family by phone, frequently calling Milt or her now grown sons

Her first stop was Hawaii, then on to the Orient. Six months had gone by and she hadn't gotten out of the Orient! Her visa to India was put off so she went to Athens and then to Lebanon. She went on to Austria where she rented a car and drove through southern Germany and France. She continued on to finish this first trip around the world that had taken 9 months.

Again in 1973, the travel bug bit and Jane took off again. She returned to Hawaii, Taipei and Tokyo. Even though things were not good in Vietnam, she applied and received a visa for Saigon. She met some other American women who thought she had a job. When she told them she was traveling, they were surprised that she was able to get a visa. She was not able to go out of Saigon. There was a curfew at night but she was able to look out of her hotel window and not see a soul in sight. Again, she continued on, making this her second trip around the world.

Jane maintained a friendship with some of the "girls" in Minneapolis and joined them for a tour to Scandinavia in 1988. Another bite from the travel bug caused her to exchange her return ticket for a ticket to Bangkok. She returned to most of the Orient places she had been but also included Kuala Lumpur. Then continued on to complete her third trip around the world.

When Milt retired, they moved to Lake Elsinore where they lived for 11 years. In the 1990's she wanted to travel again but her husband had become quite ill so another trip was not to be. After his death Jane moved to Champagne Village to be near her son, Tony and his wife, Sheila, Sheila, who live in Escondido.

Now, she's a bridge player, enjoys the "First Friday Night" dances, the singles activities and likes to start her week off with Sunday's Vesper Services.

Jane says that in all her travels she didn't have a bad thing happen. She did spend a few nights sleeping on the beach in a small tent on the Greek island of Skiathos in the 1960's.

Would you believe that this is only part of her story? For more just ask Jane and be ready to be swept off on a trip of your own!

VESPERS

By Margaret Meadows

This is a non-denominational service held every Sunday in the card room at 4:00 PM till 5:00 PM with Pastor Jake Duran officiating. All are welcome.

FRIENDS HELPING FRIENDS

By Jan Denny

We're still in need of more volunteer drivers to take fellow Villagers to their medical appointments when they cannot drive themselves and have no other means of getting there. This is a rewarding experience and you'll enjoy meeting interesting new people. Give me a call (749-4255), and I'll add your name to the roster of Friends Helping Friends. I want to have enough drivers so you will not be called on more than once a month.

THOSE OF YOU WHO NEED RIDES, call me at (749-4255) and I will do my best to get a driver to take you to your medical appointment, if you have no other way of getting there. We want to help, so don't hesitate to call if you need assistance.

ODDS AND ENDS

Readers Write

CARELESSNESS AT THE SPA RAISES OUR ASSOCIATION COSTS!

We got back from our superb honeymoon on the North Shore of Lake Superior and went to enjoy our spa at night on Sept. 20. As usual, the spa cover was off, wasting everyone's money! Our Association has purchased a wonderful spa cover that fits. Please don't have a senior moment when you get out of the spa and forget to recover the spa after sundown! It's your money you're wasting during our increasingly cool nights! Also, when taking the spa cover off, use a helper to grab the handles and slide it out carefully and gently fold it once, not crumple it!

The lights in the women's shower were all on because the timer had been cranked too far and was stuck. When you leave the spa area, make sure the gate is closed. We have often found it open! This

leaves our great facility unprotected.

We're also turning over a new leaf on observing the speed limit so we won't be faced with speed bumps! We are happy to return to our beautiful village.

Richard and Annetta, the honeymooners

READERS THEATER

By Carl Natoni

Champagne Village Readers Theater will present a play entitled "Betsy Ross---Little Rebel" at the October 11th Game Night at 5:00 PM. Stuart & Shirley Hoadley will be narrators while Betty Smith will be Betsy Ross and I will be William J. Canby as a child.



Should you wish to sample some of my shorter scripts I shall be at the C.V. Hall on Tuesdays from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. We need emoters plus listeners, no memorization needed.

VAN TRIPS: The Village Van leaves the second and fourth Wednesday for North County Fair (Westfield), Trader Joe's and Henry's. The van leaves the Village Hall at 9:30 AM, and returns at 2:30 PM. Sign up at the



Village Hall. All residents are welcome.

The Village Van also goes to the Von's Shopping Center on El Norte Pkwy., every Friday at 9:00 AM.

SEE'S CANDIES: One pound gift certificates are available for \$9.75. This will give you \$13.20 worth of spending power at any See's location. Any questions...call (751-0075) or email to linda8975186@yahoo.com, or leave your check made out to Linda Harper @ #186 Skyline Drive. Please do not leave with Karin in the office.

GOLF CART CLINIC



A-1 Golf Cart clinic is held the second Friday of each month at the picnic grounds beginning at 9:00 AM.

Escondido Golf Cart Service will have a clinic on the last Friday of each month, at the Picnic Area, beginning at 9:00 AM.

NEW RESIDENTS:

#62 Norman & Audrey Dalberg 749-9806
#158 Walter & Donna Grace/Lorenz 751-2916
#298 Robert & Eleanor Schostag No Phone Yet

FREE HEARING AID SERVICE:

Where: Champagne Village Hall

When: 2nd Wednesday of each month, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Services: Hearing Aid Cleaning
Battery Purchase
Hearing Evaluation Scheduling

BOOKMOBILE

The San Diego County Library Bookmobile will be in Champagne Village on October 5th and October 19th, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM . *They are scheduled to be in CV every two weeks.*



TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULE FOR 2004

Trash normally is picked up on Fridays. This year, the Thanksgiving week collection will be delayed one day, from Friday to Saturday, November 27.