

# Seashore News



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## 6 BOARD CANDIDATES

### KYLE ABARCA



I am 45 and have a young family. My daughter Zoe is 10 and my son Kai is 6 and both attend St. Anne School. My wife Jessica and I are private investors and semi-retired. I enjoy surfing and tennis in my free time.

We moved to Niguel Shores (Periwinkle Dr.) from Houston, TX in the summer of 2011. When we bought a home here we thought it would be a great place to raise a family. After four years we couldn't be happier with our decision! With that said, I am ready to get involved and serve my fellow neighbors to protect and enhance the assets of our beautiful community.

My professional background is accounting. I am a CPA (inactive) licensed in the state of Texas. During my career, I was primarily involved with financial reporting, forecasting, budgeting, analysis and accounting information systems for publicly traded companies. I believe this skill set will serve the board well.

Thanks for your consideration.

### JOHN DOUGHERTY



I was born in New Jersey, earned a B.S. in Chemical Engineering, married my wife Joanne and relocated to California. In 1973 we moved to Niguel Shores raised our family here (two sons) enjoying friends, sailing and the pleasures of beach life. The family now includes six grandchildren. In the ninety's attended law school and began the practice of law. Sadly, after a protracted illness, Joanne passed away in 2012. On the positive side I recently married Miriam a shores resident.

Served on the Board 30 years ago (a rewarding experience), was privileged to serve again as President during the new ClubHouse construction and Beach Bluff Park

expansion, now serve as CFO. If reelected will continue to strongly support all efforts to protect the community from liability for damages that may result from a failure of the Breakers Isle revetment with resulting slope failure and costly damage to homes. I also wish to assist in the development of cost effective and necessary landscape rehabilitating and water conservation programs to preserve esthetics and long term desirability of our community. Finally I am committed to seeing that our association dues are prudently expended and that Niguel Shores continues to be the great community we all enjoy.

### SUZANNE ENIS



I was born and raised in El Centro, California where my father was a farmer and also owned two feedlots. The business is now LaBrucherie Produce run by my brother and nephew. I attended the University of Southern California (USC) majoring in Design. I worked for Bullocks Wilshire, I. Magnin, and ended my "visual" (display) career with Saks Fifth Ave. I transferred from the La Jolla Saks store to open the "Shops at Mission Viejo" location and purchased my Shores Garden home here in 1999. I retired in 2001 and then became involved in our community. I joined both the Women's Club and the Garden Club. I have been on several of the Women's Club Boards in the past. I served on the revitalization committee to re-build our ClubHouse. I have served on both the Recreation and the Maintenance Committees. I am now acting as a liaison between the Recreation Committee and our Maintenance staff to help co-ordinate the set-up requirements needed for our various events. I love living here and I love contributing (volunteering) in any way I can to help our community continue to be such an outstanding HOA and a delightful living environment. My career background consisted of working with a group of talented individuals,

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## 2015 ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION DATES

Nominations for the 2015 Annual Election are in and we have six (6) candidates running for two (2) open positions. The candidates running for these positions are: Kyle Abarca, John Dougherty, Suzanne Enis, David Goldberg, Kevin Rausch and Art Staudenbaur. Join me in thanking each of these candidates for volunteering to serve on the Board. Be sure to read their statements in this issue. In addition to reading about each candidate, please plan on attending the *Meet the Candidates* forum scheduled for Tuesday, April 14, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. in the Clubhouse. This event will provide you with an opportunity to hear about and ask questions of each candidate.

The Annual Meeting Notice and Ballots will be mailed to all homeowners by April 16, 2015. It is important for everyone to vote. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

## NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH:

April is National Volunteer Month and Niguel Shores is blessed with many wonderful residents who volunteer within our community. Without our volunteers many of the things you enjoy about living here would not be possible. If you don't currently volunteer but are passionate about working with people and having fun at the same time, volunteering in your community may be just the thing for you. Communities are more successful when there is a broad base of active volunteers. Below are several reasons why volunteering may be beneficial not only to you personally but to Niguel Shores.

- **Protect your self-interests.** Protect your property values and the quality of life in your community by becoming involved, contributing, and understanding how your community operates.
- **Be sociable.** Meet your neighbors, make friends and exchange opinions.
- **Give back.** It is a wonderful feeling to help others.
- **Have some fun.** Association work isn't drudgery. It is fun! Accomplishing good things with your neighbors. Just ask those who already volunteer.
- **Get educated about your Association.** Learn how it is done—we will train you.
- **Express yourself.** Help with creative projects using the talents you have.

If you believe that you can make a difference and contribute to making Niguel Shores a better place to live please join those who already work with us to make our community so special.

Please join me in expressing sincere thanks to all who volunteer; both within NSCA and outside our gates throughout

the area, committing their time to make our community a better place to live. We wouldn't be the great community we are without our active volunteers. We look forward to seeing more residents becoming volunteers.

## YOUR PETS ARE YOUR RESPONSIBILITY



## REMOTE GUARDING SYSTEM:

A new remote entry system will be up and running soon at the Mariner entrance. This system will operate between the hours of approximately 2:00 to 5:00 a.m. The gate attendant will be out on patrol throughout the community during these hours.

Visitors will use the provided *CALL BOX* at the gate to speak directly with a Securitas remote gate access specialist who will gather all of the required information from the visitor such as their name and the address they are visiting. The Securitas remote gate access specialist will use the Pan Tilt Zoom (PTZ) camera to obtain visitor information—vehicle details such as license plate numbers, vehicle numbers, trailer numbers and a face shot of all visitors. The Securitas remote gate access specialist will then match that information to an approved list that is provided by Dwelling Live for authorization. If the visitor is not on an authorized list, the gate attendant (out on patrol) will be contacted and return to the gatehouse immediately. If access is granted the gate attendant will be notified and will place a pass on the windshield of the visiting vehicle.

## OVERNIGHT PARKING ENFORCEMENT

You're late for work or wrestling kids out the door to get them off to school. You run out to your car, finally ready to go and wait, what's that?? A parking citation? REALLY??! Yes, a parking citation. If you parked your vehicle off of your property for the night and you didn't have a waiver to do so, then you have just received a citation notifying you that your vehicle is in violation of *Rule 6405 Overnight Parking*. As irritating as these notices are, the enforcement process can be even worse for continued violations (hearings, fines, vehicle tows). Fortunately there is simple solution: contact the NSCA Management Office and the administrative staff will work with you to come to a viable resolution for any of your parking needs. In addition to overnight parking violations, the patrol

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# BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

## **MARCH 4, 2015 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- Financial Reports
- Delinquency Report
- General Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- General Session Meeting Minutes for February 18, 2015
- David Goldberg as Investment Committee Chairman
- Referral of two accounts to legal for collection
  - Janitorial contract
  - Monument additional funds
  - Proposal for tree removal

### **DISAPPROVED: none**

### **HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:**

- Appeal of view preservation decision

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Manager's Report

### **TABLED/CONTINUED:**

- ADA ramp v. stop/yield sign

## **MARCH 4, 2015 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- Executive Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from February 18, 2015
- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from February 25, 2015

### **DISAPPROVED: none**

### **HEARINGS/MEETINGS:**

- Hearing for failure to complete architectural project
  - Two (2) hearings for suspension of privileges

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Legal correspondence
- Delinquency reports
- Authorization to turn over account to legal for collection

### **TABLED/CONTINUED: none**

## **MARCH 18, 2015 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- General Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- General Session Meeting Minutes for March 4, 2015
- Candidates for Board election
- Legal retainer agreement
- Backflow meter(s) for Berkus Homes

### **DISAPPROVED: none**

### **HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS: none**

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Manager's Report

### **TABLED/CONTINUED:**

- Recommendation for traffic control signage at beach bluff

## **MARCH 18, 2015 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED: none**

### **APPROVED:**

- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from March 4, 2015

### **DISAPPROVED: none**

### **HEARINGS/MEETINGS:**

- Hearing for view blockage violation

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Legal correspondence
- Contracts

### **TABLED/CONTINUED: none**

***NOTE:** The NSCA Board of Directors meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month unless otherwise posted. The last approved General Session Minutes are posted on the Bulletin Board across from the NSCA Office entrance. In addition, the General Session and Executive Session agendas for the next Board Meeting will also be posted on the Friday prior to the next meeting.*

**REMINDERS:** THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015

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brainstorming our ideas and then settling on the best one and then implementing it. This experience I can bring to the table as a Board member. Because I understand the needs of our community and it's ever-changing demographics, I can make logical, reasonable, and fiscally responsible decisions that are required of a Board member.

### DAVID GOLDBERG



Have served on Niguel Shores Finance Committee since 2012. Also served on Niguel Shores Investment Committee since 2012. Born in Massachusetts and graduated from Northwestern University outside Chicago in 1978 with engineering degree. In 2012 moved to Tampico Bay Niguel Shores to be near relatives, retiring after holding a variety of positions in Texas oil industry. I oversaw several major projects. I was lead analyst on \$500 Million plant expansion, lead negotiator for new \$500 million power plant and a \$1 Billion multinational investment negotiation with Mexico, \$150 Million environmental compliance initiative and multiple smaller projects were evaluated and progressed. Several multi-year supply and sales contracts were also negotiated. Also led energy conservation and utility group where I oversaw regional company energy consumption of approximately \$1 Billion / year.

Since moving to Niguel Shores I have been impressed with the quality of people who live here. The management team has done a wonderful job of balancing between protecting the rights and values of long-term residents while allowing newcomers and guests to also enjoy the facilities. As a board member I would try to use common sense to maintain the value of the community while minimizing costs.

### KEVIN RAUSCH



As a Southern California native and six-year resident of the Niguel Shores community, I thoroughly enjoy our ocean, its resources, and the boundless opportunities that come with living on the coast. I am owner and president of Rausch Physical Therapy & Sports Performance, a rapidly growing physical therapy clinic in Laguna Niguel that I started in 2006, which now serves more than 16,000 patients annually. I am also the sole owner and operator of two other wellness companies, ABC Pilates Studios and Homeprograms.net, and in 2010 I founded the nonprofit organization, Waypoint Children's Foundation, which gives local youth the opportunity to enjoy a day fishing and whale watching in Dana Point Harbor.

## ART STAUDENBAUR



I have decided to run for the NSCA Board to insure that we continue to maintain the quality of life we all enjoy here in the Shores. I recognize the changing demographics of our community and will work to serve all of our residents.

My wife Patti and I are both actively involved in Niguel Shores. I have been serving on the finance and the investment committees for several years and currently chair the maintenance committee. My work with these committees gives me both the experience and insight to address the needs of our community.

I was born in New York City and grew up on Long Island. I received my bachelor's degree from Pace University, New York City and a master's degree in public administration from Cal State Fullerton. Professionally, I am retired from the insurance industry, serving as a risk manager for a national restaurant chain and branch manager for a major insurance company.

I enjoy paddle boarding and spending time with my wife and our 3 grown sons. I volunteer at St Edward church, Miracles for Kids and as a docent at Doheny Interpretive Center.

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officer will be enforcing all other parking rules including issuing citations for guest vehicles found without a valid pass properly displayed. Please make sure to remind your guests to put the pass on the dashboard where it can be *easily* seen by the patrol officer because the unfortunate result may be removal of their vehicle via tow (*Rule 6440.3e*).

### MARINER MONUMENTS AND OTHERS:

The final touch to the entrance of Niguel Shores Community is the Mariner Monuments. Plans have been drawn, delivered to the planning department and we patiently await approval. Once that is received the construction will begin. We do not want to leave the other entrances out, so in addition to the Mariner Entrance we will be changing the letters and logo at all other gates. During construction of these there may be several weeks that the monuments will have no letters at all. Please bear with us and understand that we will get this done as quickly as possible and the final product will be a wonderful update.

### WISHING ALL OF YOU, YOUR FAMILIES AND FRIENDS

## A VERY HAPPY EASTER

From the Niguel Shores Staff

—Marla Miller

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Remember last month's EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS article in the *Seashore News*? We announced a scheduled class for CPR/AED Certification on Saturday, April 25 in the NIGUEL SHORES clubhouse from 9:00 a.m. - Noon. What a great opportunity to learn how to use and perform life saving techniques if the need ever arises. It may be a family member in need, a neighbor, someone at the pool or the beach, or even while you're out shopping. NEVER assume someone else will jump in to perform a potential life saving act. Know how to follow the simple steps to aid a victim. Don't assume *George will do it*. The fee for being professionally trained AND certified is \$45.00, payable in advance at the office. Please register early so we can prepare for the class size with equipment and handouts.

ALSO, have you been reading all the press over the past few months about the pros and cons of children being vaccinated? Well, it's NOT ONLY children but the recommended vaccinations for adults include annual flu shots and, every 10 years, a Td/Tdap for tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis. After 60, a shingles shot, that will very likely prevent this nasty and painful attack on your system. Other possible recommendations include vaccinations for Meningococcal, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, and Chickenpox. Others also include Hepatitis A and B. Don't know if you need these or don't think they are necessary: ASK YOUR PHYSICIAN.

While we're at it, let's throw another health topic at you that are gaining more attention in recent medical research: strength training for adults over 50! We know that exercise is good for us for many reasons. Just scheduling a daily walk is a no-brainer for better health, BUT many older folks would never think of weight training. It's a proven FACT that strength training twice a week helps stave off age-related disability, preserve bone mass in women and even boost brainpower. Again, speak to your physician or seek out a registered trainer for advice on how to get started. I heard a good start is also pushing the off button on the TV remote.

—Kent Wellbrock

*Emergency Preparedness Committee Chairperson*

## LANDSCAPE

At our last landscape meeting, we had two members of Simplot Partners discuss soil core findings in their soil analysis report of several community landscape locations.

The report indicates a very sandy soil, which does not have any nutrient hold capacity. What they suggest we do is add organic matter to the soil. This will allow more nutrients to be held in the soil so plants can absorb them. This is

why they are recommending fertilizer with a Slow Release Nitrogen. By applying Nitrogen in a form where it releases slowly, it will last longer and will not be wasted.

The Gypsum (Soil Buster) is recommended because the soil is low in Calcium. Calcium is very important because it forms the compounds that are part of the cell walls, which strengthen the plant structures, and it also helps to balance acids within the plant.

Harvest will test certain areas first to see any positive results before we administer any products on a larger basis.

—Bill Walkup

## RECREATION

April is Spring Break and Easter to enjoy with family. Afterwards many activities are planned for everyone.

**April 25, Saturday 9am to Noon. Clean out the Garage Sale.** Maps available in the office or on line, Friday, April 24th after *noon*. Pick up of unsold items after 1 pm by VictoryHouse. The last sale had 50 participating, let's beat that!!!

**May 2, Saturday, Cinco de Mayo. 5 to 8 pm,** with D.J. Music. Tickets \$10 available in office, April 6th through May 1st at noon. Come join the fun.

**May 24, Memorial Day BBQ 6 to 8 pm** bring all your own food. The BBQ Grill is there for community use.

**June 13, In and Out 6 to 8 pm** with D.J. music. Bring cash for Donna B's Cupcakes and cookies. Tickets will be going on sale soon.

**July 4th Celebration.** No one wants to miss !!!

Enjoy your holiday and mark your calendars for all the coming events.

—Carol Yocom

## WWW.NIGUELSHORES.ORG

For those of you who are not yet using the Niguel Shores website to call in your guests, below you will find a step-by-step guide to help you through the process. It is quick and easy and will save both you and our patrol service time.

- Log on to [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org)
- Top right you will see tab, **Gate Login**
- This tap takes you to **dwellingLIVE** where you enter your email address and your gate password
- At this site, you can enter your permanent guest list and add temporary guests and service providers as needed
- This site provides you with the name of the current attendant on duty and telephone number for the gate house should you need assistance

—Patti Staudenbaur

# CLUBS

## GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club met on March 19. We want to thank Carmen, Marjean, Carol, Barbara and Grace for a great luncheon spread that included a variety of small sandwiches and choice of desserts.

Our President, Jerry Koppang informed us of the field trip planned for Wednesday, April 29 to the Fullerton Arboretum. We will be carpooling, leaving from the clubhouse parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

Jerry also talked about a scholarship that is being established for \$500. This will go to veterans who are in the second year of a program in agriculture landscaping or horticulture at Saddleback College. The funds for this scholarship come from the plant sale that the Garden Club holds every year and will be on Saturday, May 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Please support this sale so we can increase the number of awards we can give out.

Our guest speaker is one of our own, Dr Faisal Waffran. Dr Waffran who is a neonatologist by profession has demonstrated the same TLC he has treated his patients with, in maintaining an orchid garden in his yard for over two decades. He demonstrated how to split the bulbs and the necessary care needed to transplant them.

Cymbidium can be grown out doors in pots provided they are facing east or northeast, so they get only three to four hours of sun. Here are some important tips for orchid lovers. Water once a week and soak and allow water to run through to enable washing off the excess salts. Do not crowd the plants to allow for plenty of aeration. Santa Ana winds can dry them very rapidly. Simply putting the pots at ground level will minimize that. Dry leaves are an indication that the plant has gone through heat stress. Finally, feed plants every two weeks with liquid fertilizer. When repotting,

sterilize the tools you will use with a heat flame. Wear gloves and soak the pots in a mixture of Dawn soap and 25% Clorox bleach. This will avoid infestation with viruses. Spots on the leaves indicate virus infestation. Repotted orchids can take three years to bloom so enjoy the leaves while you wait!

And finally, how do you get hundred orchids to bloom at the same time? Start with a thousand!

—Laks Sehgal

## MEN'S CLUB

### MARCH 3 MEETING

The Men's Club Guest Speaker was Mike Lavery, a motivational speaker. He spoke of the importance of learning mind control and improving one's memory. He referred to this as *whole brainpower* resulting in a significant increase in personal creativity.

A professional golfer, he demonstrated his ability to write ambidextrously, and his ability to focus with intensity, allowing him to memorize a vast array of knowledge: to recite the alphabet backwards, and to call out all the *prime numbers* into the hundreds.

We've all seen Tiger Woods bounce a golf ball on an iron...but Lavery goes him one better, by bouncing a golf ball on the round head of a ball peen hammer... while turning in a circle! This has earned him the nickname *The Hammer Man*.

### MARCH 17 MEETING

The Sunshine Committee announced that Don Ellis's condition was deteriorating.

The meeting was of particular interest, with a discussion of the Club's 20 year-old Scholarship Fund program for graduating seniors. Over the years, the club has awarded, annually, as many as five \$1,000 scholarship to

meritorious graduating seniors from Dana Hills High.

The members voted to reduce the number of awards this year to two; and to give preference to those seniors who reside in the Shores. Interested seniors are encouraged to complete applications, which will be inserted in the *SeaShore News*.

Our guest speaker was Bill Green (very fitting for a meeting held on St. Paddy's Day.)

Bill is a Director on the Board of the South County Water District, which serves 40,000 residents in South Laguna, Dana Point, and portions of San Clemente. He spoke of the serious drought engulfing the state, with a dreary outlook for things not getting any better if we don't get significant rainfall soon. Things we take for granted, like bright green laws are going to disappear, and current restrictions on watering may be further increased.

Many homeowners are not aware that automatic irrigation of yards is limited to ten minutes one day a week. At this time, the District is emphasizing education rather than enforcement, but unless we get some significant rain soon, watering restrictions may become even more rigorous with money penalties.

"No matter how bad things are, you can always make things worse."  
—Randy Pausch, *The Last Lecture*

—Morry Meadow

## WOMEN'S CLUB

One of the most interesting women on the planet in respect to food is going to be the speaker at the Women's Club meeting at noon on April 9. Cathy Thomas, award-winning food columnist for the *Orange County Register*, will tell us about her life in food, growing up with a nutrition-centric Mom,

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and her latest book, *50 Best Plants on the Planet*.

Cathy's weekly columns and food features appear in newspaper food sections across the country. She was

awarded first place as the best food columnist in the nation and pioneered the use of culinary-based videos on the Internet. Author of several books, she will sign *50 Best Plants on the Planet* (\$22.45), if you wish to purchase a copy. With 150 recipes, it is a guide to packing the most nutrients into every delicious bite.

Each person who attends will be entered in a drawing and have a chance to win one of Cathy's cookbooks. There will be three winners,



Cathy Thomas

but you must be present to win. Be sure to get your free ticket after you get your badge in the lobby.

To add to the fun, we will be collecting your recipes for those

wonderful salads that you bring (and some that you don't bring) and your favorite dessert recipes for our cookbook, which will be assembled this summer. It is anticipated that *The Niguel Shores Women's Club Cookbook* will be available in late summer or early fall. You may also e-mail your recipes to Ginny Nevitt at [vnevitt@cox.net](mailto:vnevitt@cox.net). The recipes can be handwritten, printed or submitted in digital form.

Look for your luncheon e-mail invitation on Thursday, April 2. Please

answer by noon on Sunday, April 5. You will be notified by e-mail if it is your turn to bring a salad for 10-12 people. The luncheon fee is \$3 for members and \$5 for guests.

For information on joining the Women's Club, please contact Marian Kennedy at [rgkmek@yahoo.com](mailto:rgkmek@yahoo.com) or Marilyn Pappas at [mmpappas5@yahoo.com](mailto:mmpappas5@yahoo.com). For those joining in April, membership dues will be reduced to \$5 for the rest of the 2014 - 2015 club year.

Membership dues for next year are due by June 1. Please bring your check for \$10, made out to the Niguel Shores Women's Club, to the May meeting. It is important that you renew your membership at this time in order to be included in the Directory for the 2015-2016 club year.

—Ginny Nevitt

## ACTIVITES

### BRIDGE NEWS

We meet for bridge every Wednesday at 11:00 a.m. and hope you will join us. Our phone number is 496-4230 so let us hear from you as a participant or as a substitute. We are getting a few snowbirds that like to play while they are visiting here. One of them being Dale Williamson from Oregon. We remember him from last year as being a winner. We encourage more visitors to join us.

#### Our recent winners:

February 25 Helen Campbell and Mary Ann Theisen  
March 4 Lorraine Aronson, Helen Campbell, Judy Bates  
March 11 Doris Deal and Margaret Brugger  
March 18 Dale Williamson, Freida Baskin,  
Mary Ann Theisen

—Helen Campbell

### LIBRARY NEWS

The following is a list of programs and events for March 2015. All events held in the Community Room unless otherwise noted. Walk-ins welcome.

**Children All Ages:** The following events are for children of all ages with a parent or caregiver.

**School's Out Movie.** Tuesday, April 7, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Join us for a special movie to celebrate Spring Recess.

**Sunday Movie Matinee.** Sunday, April 19, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Your children will love watching a different movie every month. Call the library for the current movie title.

**Special Money Storytime.** Saturday, April 25, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. This event is for children and families.

**PJ Storytime with the Sunshine Readers.** Monday, April 27, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Walk-ins welcome. Your children will love the high energy and antics of the Sunshine Readers! The wearing of pajamas is encouraged but not required.

#### Children School Age:

**Read to a Dog.** Wednesday, April 1, 3:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. This event is for beginning readers and is held in the Children's Area. No pre-registration required.

**Kid's Club.** Thursday, April 9, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. This event is for school age children ages 5 to 8. Join us for hands on activities and experiments.

#### Tween, Teen:

Teen Advisory Board. Monday, April 13, 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Teens, tell the library what you want. From books to programs, we want to know. Snacks will be provided.



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**Tween Scene:** Thursday, March 19, 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Tweens ages 9-12, want to build your own parachute or make snow? Come for hands on experiments and projects.

**Adults:**

**Meet the Author.** Wednesday, April 15, 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Meet Dana Point author Anita Hughes who has two new books coming out in 2015—*French Coast* which she will be taking about and *Rome in Love*.

—Karl Kuhn

## OREO BOOK CLUB

We reviewed the book *The Boys in the Boat*, by Daniel Jones Brown at the home of Norton Schwartz, who provided Oreo cookies on the proviso that he be nominated to lead the discussion. The Boys were the eight-man rowing crew of the University of Washington who, in spite of the hardships of the depression in 1933, were able to learn trust in each other and perform on a level to best the crews from the elite Universities of Berkley, Harvard, Yale, Cambridge, and Oxford.

Ultimately, in the 1936 Olympics in Nazi Germany, they beat the best crews in the world. Their protests before the games about having them under Hitler's aegis, but Avery Brundidge said those protestors were part of a Jewish-Communist plot to stop the games.

Somehow our discussion veered to climate change, water shortage and desalination plants. Next month on the third Wednesday we will meet at the home of Barbara Milner to discuss the book *Stuff Matters* by Mark Miodownik who thinks we should know about the innards and outers of a variety of materials. If we decide to veer off again, it may be to discuss the water shortage. Or something.

—Norton Schwartz

## PAGE TURNERS

Two of the PageTurners' book clubs will be reading and discussing *The Glass Room*, by Simon Mawer. The Monday afternoon group will meet April 27 and the Thursday group will meet April 30.

*The Glass Room* is set in the 1920s. A young couple meets a modernist architect who creates a stunning home for them. In 1930 their hopes quickly evaporate before the storm clouds of WW II. The couple must leave their old life behind and struggle for survival abroad while their home slips from hand to hand, from Czech to Nazi to Soviet possession and finally back to Czechoslovak with new inhabitants.

Both groups are starting to think of book suggestions for next year.

For more information about Page Turners you can contact: Lisa Buchner: lisabuchner@cox.net- 496-9546.

—Lisa Buchner

# SPORTS

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## MEN'S GOLF

On March 10 we had our monthly tournament at Eagle Glen Golf Club in Corona. The course was in great shape, the weather was perfect. The game was 1, 2, 3, Foursomes. In 1, 2, 3, Foursomes the scoring is: 1st hole best net score of four players, the 2nd hole score is the best two net scores of the four players, and the 3rd hole score is the best three net scores of the four players. The remaining holes are scored in the same rotation as the first three.

First Place Team: Kent Wellbrock, Charlie Clark, Matt Kelliher, and Bob Russell with a net score of 120

Second Place Team: Roy Dohner, Larry Wellikson, Morry Dohner, and Gary Katsuki with a net score of 128

Third Place Team: Mike Roberts, John Monson, David Kath, and Bill Verbrugge with a net score of 133

Closest to the Pin on hole # 4 Morry Dohner

Closest to the Pin on Hole #17 Bob Russell

Our next tournament on April 14th will be at Twin Oaks in San Marcos. This is a great course with spectacular elevated views and well worth the drive.

To sign up to play email Roy Dohner at roy@dohner.com.

"Your natural ability as a golfer is in inverse proportion to the amount of money you spend on new equipment."

—Bob Russell

## WOMEN'S GOLF

Four strong teams turned out, vying to be the best in a game called Irish Ball, put together by Captains Helena Keeshen and Liz Kelsch. Each team was given a white ball with a shamrock on it. Each team member had to take turns playing with it using only four clubs and not losing it. If it was lost, two points had to be added to the score. The team that returned with the Irish

# SPORTS

Ball and had the lowest score was the winner. Oh, there were a few tense moments.

The winner turned out to be Team #1 (Val Mitchell, Helena Keeshen, Maria Elena Banks, and Liz Kelsch) with a score of 92, the score of the Irish Ball plus one other team member's score.

Other winners:

|           |                    |    |
|-----------|--------------------|----|
| Low gross | Kathy Aldrian      | 45 |
| Low net   | India Rouse        | 25 |
| Low putts | McDonald & Tuckley | 17 |

Longest drive on 9

Judy Boitano

Closest to pin on 6

Judy Boitano

Closest to pin on 8

Val Mitchell

Next FunDay is Monday, April 13. Captains are Pam Strayer (499-4737) and Brenda Tuckley (249-6912). Please call one of them to cancel or to be added to the game.

Something to think about:

As you walk down the fairway of life you must smell the roses, for you only get to play one round.

— Liz Kelsch



## Carol's Cuisine Corner

*You and your dog want to go out for a meal together. There are certainly a lot of restaurants for you two to enjoy in our area. We also have a few new restaurants we want you to know about.*

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*Enjoy the meals with your dog. Have many more to list later, Bon Appetite! —Carol Yocom*

# MEET YOUR NEIGHBORS

## Kevin and Chrissy Rausch

Kevin and Chrissy Rausch have lived in Niguel Shores for the past six years. They have two beautiful children, Cody 6 and Eva 4. Cody is in the first grade and Eva is in preschool. Originally, they leased a home on Verrazano Bay, however, like so many of us, grew to love the community and after lots of searching they purchased their home on Bothnia Bay.

Kevin and Chrissy have been married for twelve years. Their relationship actually started long before that when they met in the 4th grade in elementary school. They knew one another as casual friends throughout high school, however, they rekindled that friendship in college and the friendship took a more serious turn. The rest, as we say, is a very happy history.

Kevin and Chrissy both attended Pepperdine University and Cal Baptist University in Riverside. Chrissy has a teaching credential from Cal Baptist and taught 2nd grade for several years. Kevin has a Master's Degree in Physical Therapy, which he obtained at Nova Southeastern University in Florida. Kevin and Chrissy own and operate **Rausch Physical Therapy and Sports Performance** in Laguna Niguel. Their business specializes in rehabilitation as well as in sports enhancement activities. In addition to operating Rausch Physical Therapy they also run ABC Pilates, which offers multiple levels of Pilate's classes, TRX, run fusion and yoga classes. (See an advertisement for their business in this issue of the SSN). Kevin oversees all aspects of the physical therapy, rehabilitation and sports enhancement activities of the business. He has a staff of five physical therapists working with him. Chrissy, has traded her teaching career, for the role of CFO, as she oversees the accounting aspects of their growing business. In addition to operating their business, they have recently formed a small non-profit organization, Waypoint Children's Foundation. This is a foundation that provides opportunities for children to participate fishing and whale watching outings as well as learning about the ocean and ocean conservation.

Chrissy and Kevin both participate in many events throughout the community. Kevin led the Halloween Parade for the past two years and Chrissy has recently taken over as co-chair of our Recreation Committee. Chrissy plans to continue the outstanding events our community is known for, while at the same time offering some new activities that are fun for all residents. She is working on organizing a Family Day in the Park, where there will be games and food offered in the large greenbelt park behind the pool and clubhouse area. She is also planning on bringing back our much-missed Chili Cook-Off.

Kevin and Chrissy have seen lots of positive changes throughout the community since moving to Niguel Shores. The

influx of young families with children has been a real plus for their children Eva and Cody. When I asked Chrissy what she likes best about the community, she said without hesitation, *I love everything!*



The Rausch Family

She elaborated to say they love the open space feeling of the community, friendly and welcoming people, meeting neighbors and friends at the bluff, access to parks, beach and clubhouse. She loves the fact that you can do so much right here in the community without ever having to really leave home. I guess their love for Niguel Shores must be contagious, because shortly after Kevin and Chrissy moved to Niguel Shores, Chrissy's parents, Carole and Len Beebe also purchased a home here in the Shores and Kevin's parents recently moved to south county to be close to all the action as well. Shortly after moving to the Shores, Kevin and Chrissy purchased a golf cart. Chrissy now tells Kevin that they can never move, because, after all, *What will we do with the golf cart?* I guess they are like so many of the rest of us, happy to be here to stay.

—Patti Staudenbaur



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*“The World is a book and those who do not travel read only one page” —St. Augustine*

Are you thinking of taking your older grandchildren on an awesome trip before they head off to college and get involved in the real world of work (and before you get too old to keep up with them on a real adventure)?

The world's tropical and temperate rain forests are disappearing. Species are being driven to extinction by the thousands. Rain forest protection is an important endeavor to save these forests. Why not consider a trip with your grandchildren to one of them.

You can explore the world of Orangutans in Tanjung Putting National Park, Indonesia.

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Only about 700 mountain gorillas are left in the wilderness. If you are in good shape it is possible to trek in Bwindi Impenetrable Forest in Uganda, and if you are lucky, get to see some of them.



The Amazon Rainforest encompasses 60% of Peru and is seriously threatened by illegal logging. This is negatively affecting the habitats of indigenous tribes as well as Peru's biodiversity.

What better way to explore the open road than with your grandchildren beside you? And remember the old Jewish proverb. No matter what happens, travel gives you a story to tell.

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