

# Seashore News



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## NEIGHBORHOOD OVERLOOKS FOR A LOCAL ADVENTURE

I wonder how many of our Niguel Shores residents have been to the top of Niguel Hill, that most notable feature in our view just to the north. The hill is 900 feet high and, for those of us above PCH, quite prominent, and particularly beautiful at night with the lights of the houses twinkling all the way to the top. There are two interesting and educational public parks to visit atop the hill, the first of which you will find by a small sign about two thirds of the way up Pacific Island Drive which says, "View Park." Turn to the left and left again and drive to the end just before the gate to the community atop the hill. Park along the street and you will find the entrance to a county park on your right at the end of the street.



View from Niguel Hill looking north

The pathway around Niguel Hill



This park, called Badlands Park, has some picnic tables and two paths to explore—one off to the right below houses along the ridge. The other, a sandy path leading off to the left along which you will soon come upon a sign that reads, "During the Pliocene age, about ten million years ago, the eroded sandstone slope face you see before you was part of a sandy beach. Through uplifting of the earth's surface, this ancient beach now stands about 780 feet above the current sea level." There is more information that you can read when you visit.

Following along the sandy path and out towards the edge of this flat area is another sign with a drawing that stretches the imagination



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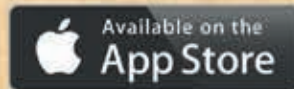
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**Pool Deck and Spa Reconstruction:** The Board approved the renovation of the pool deck using Artistic Pavers instead of concrete. These pavers are designed to be used around pools, are cool on the feet and will give the deck a great look. This product is durable and holds up under extreme conditions providing us with a new tough, yet beautiful pool deck. Artistic Pavers are elegant, rich, classy and natural looking; yet resistant against mildew and algae. This product has been tested to stand up against chlorination systems, making it yet another benefit around the pool. The project is scheduled to start in October and should take approximately 45 days to complete. While the pool area is closed, it is the perfect opportunity to re-plaster the spa and replace some pool lights. The entire project should take approximately 4-6 weeks.

**Flag Replacement:** Many questions and concerns have been voiced about the flag not being shown on the gatehouse plans. The Board approved that, once the gatehouse remodel is completed and the City had signed off on all permits, the flag pole will be going back up. During construction we will be removing it and storing it for safe keeping, but it will be put back up after construction is complete.

**New Resident Landscape Planting:** There have been concerns from residents that have newly planted material that the association water is not enough to keep these new plants alive. Remember that new plants require more water than already established plants and since it is virtually impossible to adjust the water for just one resident, you may want to give them some additional water yourself until they are established.

**Renovation of the Mercator and Other Slopes:** The Mercator Slope is the next large slope renovation as part of the Master Landscape Plan. This slope is above Nauticus Isle and Mercator Isle and is extremely large and very steep. Due to the possibility of an El Nino occurring this year, the Mercator project will not begin until early spring 2015. I will keep you informed with progress as this slope gets under way.

Because the Mercator slope is being postponed until 2015, the Board has approved moving forward with the Master Landscape Plan and doing some smaller slopes in the community which include the slope along Capstan Drive, Flying Jib, Crossjack Drive and the slope at the corner of Selva and La Cresta at the entrance to Sea Terrace II. In an effort to provide proper and upgraded irrigation, some of these slopes will be hard cut (trimmed very low) to reduce the height of the salvageable plant material. In other areas we will be removing and replanting the slope

completely. This project will start as soon as possible and be completed by the end of the year.

**Do Not Walk Down Slopes:** It has been brought to my attention that in some areas slopes are being used as access in and out of back yards. This is not a good idea because it damages landscaping, opens up a perfect trail to your home for uninvited guests, and damages the slope which could cause an unwanted slope failure. If someone needs access to your back yard, please make sure they are entering from your street and not the street on the slope side. If you are a home that is in the middle of three attached units, try to work something out with your neighbor to obtain access through the back of the neighboring property. This is a better alternative and will avoid damage to the slopes.

#### **Landscape Update:**

**Turf Reduction:** Additional landscape projects that will be taking place before the end of 2014 include a plan to remove approximately 44,000 square feet of turf. As with past projects, this will not take away the beautiful green belts that are appreciated by all. Area maps identifying the project areas are posted on the website.

**Abalone Slope:** This slope is currently being revamped to remove all of the Brazilian Pepper tree roots that were continuing to come through and choking out the ground cover. We are adding some acacia, beautiful Bougainvillea, and planting the parkways to match the other two parkways in this area.

**Fabulous 4th of July Celebration:** I think it goes without saying that Nancy Tinnes again organized and planned another wonderful 4th of July celebration for the entire community to enjoy. An event like this takes a lot of work and this wonderful lady makes it look so easy. Thank you again Nancy, we greatly appreciate your hard work.

While Nancy is the leader and organizer, this wonderful event would not be successful without many outstanding volunteers working hard to make this happen, so a special thank you should be extended to our volunteers including the Recreation Committee and the Men's and Women's Clubs. They all had a part in making this another memorable 4th of July Celebration. In addition, I would like to express a special thank you to Securitas, maintenance and office staff for the excellent job in providing services and support for this event.

Last, but definitely not least, we should all thank Suzanne Enis for organizing and judging the Sand Castle Contest and Gary Tinnes who volunteered his time and talents to take pictures of all of the activities throughout the 4th of July celebration. The photos are posted on the website for

# BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

## **JULY 2, 2014 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- Financial Reports
- General Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- General Session Meeting Minutes for June 18, 2014
  - Acting Agent Policy
- Resignation of Linda Ross from the Landscape Committee
  - Resignation of Joan Ingle from the View Preservation Committee
- Lien filing against two properties for delinquent assessments
  - Contracting and Procurement edits
  - Proposal for pool heater replacement

**DISAPPROVED:** none

**HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:** none

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Delinquency report
- Selva professional building landscaping
  - Gatehouse flag
- Mariner entrance landscape
- Correspondence from three residents
  - Manager's report

**TABLED:** none

## **JULY 16, 2014 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- General Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- General Session Meeting Minutes for July 2, 2014
- Appointment of Bill Walkup to the Landscape Committee
  - Appointment of Karla Sanders to the Traffic & Safety Committee
- 2014 Master Landscape projects
- Proposal for Abalone slope landscape

**DISAPPROVED:** none

**HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:**

- Mosaic Consulting, Inc. (Mercator slope project)

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Memorial policy
- Correspondence from two residents
- Manager's report

### **TABLED:**

- Tablet proposal

## **JULY 2, 2014 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- Executive Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from June 18, 2014

**DISAPPROVED:** none

### **HEARINGS/MEETINGS:**

- One hearing for violations of Rule 6405
- One hearing for violations of Rule 5108
- Two hearings form violations of Rule 5109

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Legal correspondence
- Financial reports

**TABLED:** none

## **JULY 16, 2014 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)**

### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- Executive Session Committee Minutes

### **APPROVED:**

- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from July 2, 2014

**DISAPPROVED:** none

**HEARINGS/MEETINGS:** none

### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- Legal correspondence

### **TABLED:**

- One hearing for violation of CC&R Article IX, Section 16

*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, AUGUST 6, 2014

# COMMITTEE REPORTS



Niguel Shores residents who completed the AED/CPR Class.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The photo above was taken of the first participants of the Emergency Preparedness Committee's sponsored AED/CPR class held in the ClubHouse on May 24. We had 10 residents who were certified upon completion of the course. We plan to offer another class in the Fall for those who are interested. Remember, we have an AED in the Community ClubHouse just inside the front door.

For those Niguel Shores residents who would like to take a future AED/CPR/First Aid class in the September/October time frame, please send me an e-mail and we will arrange a date/time and publish it in an e-mail. The fee is \$45 per individual and the class would be on a Saturday from 9:00 a.m.-noon. My e-mail address is: [k.wellbrock@cox.net](mailto:k.wellbrock@cox.net).

—Kent Wellbrock

## MAINTENANCE

Niguel Shores experienced another fabulous July 4th celebration and our entire community was at its pristine best. Once again, it could not have been so successful had it not been for our hard-working maintenance staff. A lot of tasks were executed days prior to the event and consisted of:

1. Pressure washing the Beach Bluff sidewalk to remove stains/gum, etc. (all except for a small section near the first row parking lot due to cars being in the way of the water spray.)
2. Pressure washing the upper pool deck area and our entrance to remove food stains/gum all the way to the flagpoles.

3. Purchasing and installing red/white and blue basketball nets.
4. Purchasing a new flag and raising it for a couple of hours to allow the wind to remove the wrinkles.
5. Checking the outside electrical outlet to make sure it was working for the PA system.
6. Testing the PA system. During the hookup, the unit smoked and ceased working. A backup rental was quickly procured for use that day.
7. Cleaning the glass along the pool deck.
8. Cleaning the small BBQ, the large BBQ and the utensils for the BBQ.
9. Cleaning and waxing the dolphin statue.
10. Cleaning the ClubHouse windows.
11. Checking the inflation of the basketballs and the volleyballs.
12. Replacing the batteries in the megaphone.
13. Changing the Beach Bluff gate to lock up at 10:35 p.m. instead of the normal 10:05 p.m. time.
14. Checking the kitchen for paper towels, scrub sponges, soap, etc.
15. Checking and cleaning the ice chests.
16. Purchasing water and Gatorade for the Beach Bluff gate attendants, and providing ice and a cooler.
17. Power washing the Rubbermaid trashcans that were placed at the Beach Bluff.
18. Blocking off the parking lot at the ClubHouse at closing time the night before.
19. Setting up the ClubHouse for the Men's Club breakfast.

The day of:

1. Blocked off Niguel Shores Drive from Atlantic to the Mariner gate.
2. Brought out the storage bins containing all the park game supplies.
3. Had the megaphone and first aid kit ready for use.
4. Set up the music system and speakers with microphone by the flagpoles.
5. Had the flags ready for the flag raising ceremony.
6. Erected "popups" at the park for the tattoo and balloon artists.
7. Also erected a "popup" at the Bluff for the Sand Castle Registration.

As I continue to reiterate, we are very fortunate to have George, Dave, Dennis, Tom and Ray as our employees. They are always accommodating and add much to our incredibly fabulous environment here in Niguel Shores.

—Suzanne Enis

# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## RECREATION

I know you are enjoying your summer. Another event is planned to continue the enjoyment.



**August 23, Flock of 80's Concert:** 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale as of August 1 for \$10 per person. A table for eight may be reserved. Check with the office to see what tables are available. This is a *bring your own refreshment and beverages event*. It will be a night to dance and delight in the evening at the wonderful Bluff.

**August 31 Celebration of Labor Day:** 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. The Grill will be there for you to BBQ your food and to enjoy with your friends and family before the summer is over.

A note about the parking for everyone: At the In 'N Out evening someone put up cones for their private parking. This is not allowed and in the future the cones will be taken away. The only parking reserved is for the D.J., the chairman of the event and the caterers of the event.

The September *Seashore News* will have happenings for the fall that you will want to have on your calendar.

*Enjoy the rest to summer with us.*

—Carol Yocom



## TRAFFIC & SAFETY

**Shwazooki and Lock It!** Rumors have been circulating recently about a series of thefts from unlocked cars and trucks parked in our community. The thieves typically open the vehicle's unlocked door and take anything of value that might be inside. From the tales being passed around, I estimated that there were probably eight or so victims in our immediate neighborhood alone. I didn't know if that was true, so I checked with our Police Department and learned that only two such crimes were reported to them from Niguel Shores in the past month.

Thefts from motor vehicles are by far the most frequently occurring crime in all of Dana Point. This sort of crime ratio is similar to the picture developing throughout California. The reason is relatively simple: a plain theft from a car or truck is normally a misdemeanor. This virtually ensures a light sentence if caught and, in fact, lessens the chance the thief is caught, unless the crime occurs in the presence of an officer or someone willing to make a citizen's arrest. It is not surprising that very few cars are broken into anymore as thieves have found plenty of easier opportunities and less risk with unlocked vehicles.

Our police services personnel have developed a simple message to remind us to take precautions to minimize the potential of falling victim of a car clout. The heading tells it all: *Shwazooki* (street vernacular or slang for 'hide it'). The message contained in this one word is, simply, **don't leave enticing loot out for the professional thief or opportunist**. "Lock it" in this instance refers to your parked car or truck. Currently, thieves weigh their options and seldom force entry into a vehicle unless they know there is a good score inside.

Last word on this topic, if you fall victim to a car clout, do everyone a favor and report it to the police. The reports ensure we receive our fair share of police resources.

**Tailgaters:** Signs are posted, but some folks either didn't read those at the Selva or Cabrillo Gates, or simply lose patience and try their luck and skill at tailgating. I am sure some folks have beat the system by not waiting for the gate arm to complete its cycle of lowering and re-opening, but not many. Recently there has been an almost epidemic number of tires flattened by the spikes at those locations. Virtually always, a subsequent investigation has determined that the gate and spikes were functioning as designed and the cause of the tire damage was by the driver tailgating. Please remind family members and guests about the consequences and cost of tailgating. At the same time remind new service personnel of the location of the gate they can drive through in spite of what GPS tells them. Some of these folks become confused and frustrated at these gates, and try their luck by tailgating. God bless...

—Tim Murphy

# CLUBS

## MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club had its major fund-raising event of the year at the Fourth of July Pancake Breakfast. Attendance was outstanding, with more than 550 delicious breakfasts served up to an eager and hungry crowd. In addition, Niguel Shores logo apparel was displayed, and was snapped up by many attendees. Pictures of the festivities appear elsewhere in this edition.

The usual Men's Club meeting on the first Tuesday of the month was not held because of the closeness of the pancake breakfast date. To make up for the skipped meeting, the Club hosted two terrific speakers on July 15: Dr. Marshall Reddick (a protégé of Ross Perot), who spoke on the importance of setting goals for oneself, whether they be financial, career,

retirement, or relationships. A life without goals is like a ship without a helm. Of equal importance is *doing things*, including work that you enjoy.

Our second speaker, Irving Katz, urged us to live healthful lives through diet, exercise and mental stimulation. He was assisted by his personal trainer who got the men to stand up, swing their arms, twist, bend, squat (getting up was a bit iffy, and you could hear the joints creaking), and breathe in plenty of fresh air.

It was also a month of sadness, because the Club lost two long-time members—Ian

Ross and Don Beaver. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to their families, and wish them well.

The Men's Golf Club will hold its next outing at Talega Golf Course.

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—George Carlin

—Morry Meadow



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## ACTIVITIES

### OREO BOOK CLUB

Held at the home of Curt Swanson on July 16 where the group discussed the book *The Golden Shore—California's Love Affair with the Sea* by David Helvarg. The discussion was led by Mary Crowl. Some felt the Eastern Coast or the Florida Coast was just as intriguing. But, pride of proximity prevailed and all the varied aspects of our coast, it was decided, were best. Global warming (some didn't believe in it) and rising ocean water and future effects were considered. One opinion was that we were all too old to worry about it and should just relax and enjoy our "golden years." Others of us will

march and carry signs that read "Not in My Backyard!" Next meeting on August 20 at the home of Janet Mackaig where the book, *Russians—the People Behind the Power* by George Feifer, will be discussed.

—Norton Schwartz



### PAGE TURNERS

The second summer meeting of Page Turners will be Monday, August 25. We will meet in the lounge of the ClubHouse at 1:00 p.m.. The book to be discussed will be *Tell the Wolves I'm Home* by Carol Rifka Brunt.

—Lisa Buchner

### LIBRARY

The Library closed on June 29 and the Friends of the Library, with the help of many volunteers, successfully moved the Library Bookstore to our new, temporary location, at 34189 Pacific Coast Highway. Directions: From our community, drive south on Pacific Coast Hwy/Del Prado to Golden Lantern, turn left and proceed to just before Minute Man Press (green building) and make a right into the small alley. Go straight until you see the pale blue building. Come through the back door into the bookstore. We have a huge space that houses thousands of books in all categories. We will look forward to seeing you there from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. each day except Sunday.

—Karla Sanders



### Carol's Cuisine Corner

*Hot it is going to be (the weather man is saying). This means salads and cold soups will be appealing. Try some of the following restaurants for this satisfaction.*

**Cedar Creek:** 26860 Ortega Hwy, San Juan Capistrano, 240-2229. Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Soup Plantation:** 23870 Aliso Creek Rd, Laguna Niguel, 831-6055. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Chart House:** 34442 Street of the Green Lantern, Dana Point, 492-1183. Hours: 4:30 to 9:30 p.m.

**Javier's:** 7832 Pacific Coast Hwy, Newport Beach, 494-1239. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**South of Nick's:** 110 El Camino Real, San Clemente, 481-4545. Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**California Pizza Kitchen:** 25513 Marguerite, Mission Viejo, 951-5026. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**El Torito:** 34521 Golden Lantern, Dana Point. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Olive Garden:** 24256 El Toro Rd, Laguna Hills, 583-1020. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**Marie Callender's:** 31791 Del Obispo, San Juan Capistrano, 661-5977. Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.

**L'Hirondelle:** 31631 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano, 661-0425. Hours: 11:30 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Jimmy's Famous:** 25001 Dana Point Harbor, Dana Point, 388-8900. Hours: 11:00 a.m. to closing

*Enjoy cooling with cold soups and salads... Bon appetite, Carol Yocom*



MEN'S GOLF

On June 24 we played Eagle Glen Golf Club in Corona. It was our first trip to this great course where the golf gods provided us with perfect weather.

The game format was 1-2-3 Foursome. This format's scoring is 1st hole is best Net score of the four players. The 2nd hole's score is the two best Net scores of the four players, and the 3rd hole's score is the three best Net scores of the four players. The remaining holes are scored in the same rotation.

- First Place went to the team of Gary Katsuki, John Monson, Dennis Rosene and Bill Verbrugge.
- Second Place went to the team of Roy Dohner, Larry Wellikson, Mike Sively, and RickHogman.
- Closest to the pin went to Larry Wellikson on hole #4 and to Charlie Clark on hole #10.

The next tournament is on August 12 at Bella Collina in San Clemente.

—Bob Russell

WOMEN'S GOLF

Our 22nd Annual Memorial Golf Tournament was held on July 14 at Aliso Creek Golf Course. Following the game there was a celebration at Gemmell's Restaurant. A special thanks to Ruth Stahl and Joan Beyer for arranging this festive luncheon.

**2014 Champions:** The winner was Val Mitchell. Runner up was Judy Boitano. Other winners: closest to the pin on hole #6: Marlene Lynch. Closest to the pin on hole #8: Judy Boitano. Longest drive on hole #9: Val Mitchell. Lowest putts: Irene McDonald, Terri Matrisch and Judy Boitano.

Please join us for our next Funday on August 11. Contact Barbara Brabeck (493-9399) or Joanne Webb (498-5329) to be included or to cancel.

*Thought for the day:* Sunday may be the perfect day to play golf. Why? You may spend more time praying than you would have in the pew!

—Liz Kelsch



Travel Tidbits . . .

When we think travel, we so often think of such far-away places as India. (After the very informative article Lakshman Sehgal wrote last month for *Travel Tidbits*, I hope many of you are planning a trip to see this interesting country for

yourself.) However, *travel* can also mean many great adventures without taking your passport along. I was on the east coast recently in New York, Philadelphia, the Shenandoah Valley, Monticello, Williamsburg and Washington, DC.

However, the museum receives no federal funding so has to pay operating costs through ticket and retail sales.) Near Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell, Philadelphia has added the Constitution Center. It is the museum of "We the People", America's Town Hall and a civic education headquarters. The main display room is circular and the story of the Constitution is very well presented.

We drove through the Shenandoah Valley with the song "Oh Shenandoah" playing and it was magical. At Monticello, the genius of Thomas Jefferson is on display as well as the contradiction of his proclamation of "All men are created equal" while owning 200 slaves during his life. Much archaeological excavation is being done.

Washington, DC is full of monuments, museums, noteworthy universities and churches. But, there is always something more to see. Have you (and your children) seen the World War II Memorial, or the National Museum of the American Indian. Maybe it's time to go exploring. If you do and your mode of transportation is by air, try to make sure you will not have to change your flights. U.S. airlines collected more than \$2.5 billion in cancellation fees in 2012. Think what it is now.

—Barbara Milner C.T.C.,  
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Taking the tourist boat that circles the island of Manhattan certainly presented a much different view of the city and the narrative was full of interesting facts. The 9/11 site of such devastation that is imprinted on our minds is now a serene park. Touring the newly opened 9/11 Museum is very moving and absolutely heart breaking when you exit via escalator and hear taps playing. If you go, I definitely recommend a guide. You will get so much more out of the visit. (There is a gift shop and some controversy about whether it should be there.

Overlooks continued from cover

to believe what it says (unfortunately the glass has been broken by some thoughtless person but it is still readable): “You are standing on an ancient beach high above the current sea level. Long ago much of the land you see on the horizon was once covered by the sea.”

After contemplating this evidence of our ancient history, follow along the sandy path a bit further to arrive at a wide well-tended walkway that continues along below the grand houses all the way to the end of the hill with spectacular views below and north along the coast and, proceeding around the end of the hill until you are looking south, you can see the whole of Niguel



View looking south from Niguel Hill

View of Aliso Creek Valley from Niguel Hill



Before going back to your car, walk along the green belt at the top of the bluff and look down where you may be surprised to see a large installation by the Water District hidden way back in Alison Canyon. After gazing out at the peaceful valley and then spying these seemingly mysterious buildings below the bluff, one can imagine James Bond finding Dr. No plotting some mischief down there.

At the other end of our neighborhood are some other high-up spots where you can overlook interesting scenes below. Louise Leyden Park just off Camino Capistrano in Capistrano Beach on Dana Bluff West, is a relatively new park named after a local *plein air* artist who lived

Shores and the coastline below. Because this walkway ends at the entrance to the gated community, one is asked not to enter so you must retrace your steps back to your car.

The second park is further up Pacific Island Drive to the top where you should turn left on Talavera and proceed to the end just before the gate to yet another hill-top development. Here is another park affording wonderful views down the Aliso Creek Canyon and, as you walk along the path there are picnic tables and a surprising display of natural California flora—no doubt fauna, too, on occasion. Many of the plants are named on signs along the way and, at the very end, another view of the hospital and houses below and, on a clear day, the coast far to the north.

View of Doheny State Beach from Louise Leyden Park





View of south coast from Chloe Luke Overlook

for many years in Capistrano Beach. This park affords an excellent view of Doheny State Beach full of sunbathers and campers this time of year. Also, the view of the harbor and other parts of Dana Point are different and interesting from this viewpoint.

Further along Camino Capistrano is Pines Park, a lovely spot to picnic and enjoy the view. There is a children's playground, too. Still further on Camino Capistrano at the intersection with Estrella is a tiny little park made just for viewing. Next to the historic Doheny House which is undergoing some restoration, there is a little walkway that is a public park and from

the end of which there is an excellent view of Beach Road and the southern coastline. This little park is called the Chloe Luke Overlook, named for a lady who fought to preserve this space for public enjoyment. Below on Beach Road you can see the three original Doheny houses with their red tile roof tops that were built about 1930 by the Doheny Development Company.

So, if you're not planning a trip this summer, go on a drive and have a look at our community from these different viewpoints—take along a picnic and make a vacation day right here in your own neighborhood.

—Mary Crowl

Three 1930 Doheny Houses on Beach Road





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### Bryon and Jackie Pearson

**B**ryon and Jackie Pearson have been your neighbors in Niguel Shores since 1975 when they moved here from their home in La Canada with their two year-old son, Jeff. The ocean beckoned them, and a local realtor brought them to Niguel Shores. When Bryon, an avid sailor, saw they would be just five minutes away from Dana Point Harbor where he could keep his sailboat, the purchase of the new home on Dosinia was made. It's been smooth sailing ever since living in our wonderful community.

First, we'll fill in some early history: Jackie was born in Seattle, but she's been a Californian since her mother brought her to Los Angeles shortly after that. She attended local L.A. schools and, when it was time for college, she chose UCLA, receiving a B.A. and later, a Masters Degree in Elementary Teaching.

Bryon was born in Santa Monica. His college degrees were earned at San Jose State; a B.A. Degree in Engineering and B.S. Degree in Civil Engineering.

Jackie met Bryon at a singles meeting at Hollywood Presbyterian Church. They found that they had many mutual interests and romance followed quickly. They were married in 1966, six months after their first meeting.

Jackie began her teaching career in Arcadia, where she taught for eight years, but ultimately left because overcrowded and overheated, un-air-conditioned classrooms had made teaching children so difficult.

Bryon worked as an engineer for Paxon Brickerhof Transportation, and the Orange County Transportation Authority through the challenging period of rapid OC population growth that spurred traffic problems on freeways and surface streets in 70's and 80's.

In her youth, Jackie had experienced personal counseling due to a difficult family situation. She decided she would like to help others as she had been helped, so she went back to college to get a Master's Degree in counseling at Cal State Fullerton. She did 2,000 hours of supervised counseling from 1986 to 1995. In June 1995, she was licensed as a marriage and family counselor. She now has her own private practice on La Paz next to the 405 in Laguna Hills. She gave a well-received talk on grief counseling to our Women's Club members a few months ago. Many of our members have told me that it was helpful to them. Thank you, Jackie for sharing those helping words.

Son Jeff was born in 1973, and after the family moved into the Shores two years later, Jackie helped found the



Bryon and Jackie Pearson

“Mom’s Club”, along with Priscilla Agnew, Lisa Buchner, and other young mothers. It was a “co-op” of sorts, with members taking turns babysitting each other’s toddlers. They also often got together for picnics and celebrations of special events, including Christmas Tree lightings, Easter Egg Hunts, and of course Halloween Parties. Eventually the Niguel Shores Board offered to take over the organization of those events. Meanwhile, the “Mom’s Club” continued to make things easier for young mothers for many years. Jackie and Bryon’s daughter Julie was born in 1980, extending the Pearson active membership.

Both Jeff and Judy attended local schools, including Dana Hills High. Jeff attended UC San Diego and is now an ordained Minister and a Pastor at La Jolla Presbyterian Church. He and his wife have two daughters, Sarah, 9, and Anna, who is 8. Julie graduated from UCLA with degree in mathematics and went on to the University of Colorado for her Masters. She is now doing research with the National Center for Atmospheric Research in Boulder, Colorado.

Bryon and Jackie continue to enjoy sailing the *Lone Ranger*, a 28 foot Ranger sloop. Jackie is content to let Bryon captain the ship, preferring the leisurely role of passenger. They sailed to Catalina with their children as they were growing up and now do the same with their two granddaughters. In addition, the couple has often joined other sea-going friends in charter cruises in the Virgin Islands, French Polynesia, and on Chesapeake Bay.

Jackie and Bryon have always enjoyed their home port here the Shores, with great appreciation for the volunteer culture that makes this community special and helped them raise two exceptional children.

—Laurel Livesay Moonier

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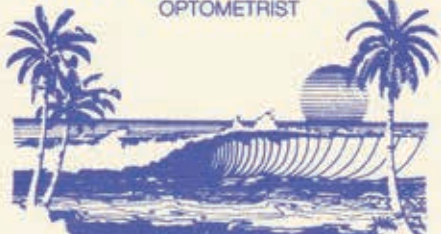
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# Independence Day Niguel Shores 2014



What a celebration it was in Niguel Shores on July 4th, 2014! Over 500 hungry folks enjoyed a pancake breakfast prepared and smilingly served by our **Men's Club**. Thanks also to the Men's Club for traffic control prior to our Big Parade. After breakfast, the Saddleback Young Marines Color Guard, under the leadership of Commander James Harkins, USMC ret., proudly raised **Old Glory and our Golden Bear state flag** with a military bearing belying their youth.



Big thanks also to our local **Orange County Fire Authority and Engine 30** crew, who once again led our patriots' parade of over 600 residents, families and friends. A stylish convertible carrying celebrants, 58 festive golf carts (a new record,) bikes, trikes, scooters, skateboards, strollers, wagons, pedestrians and canines, all adorned in their reds, whites and blues followed the engine. The parade ended back at the Community Center, just in time to enjoy the renowned **Women's Club hot-dog lunch** with all the 'fixins', which was a total sell-out event this year!

My thanks also go to the many volunteers who stepped-up to run the **fun & games at our Community Park**. They supervised sack races, 3-legged races, lawn-dart contests, temporary tattoos, ring toss, half-court basketball and Solomon's Balloon Artistry. Then it was down to the Strand Beach, where over 100 kids-of-all-ages competed in the annual Niguel Shores sand-sculpting contest. And the winners were:

**Sand Fleas category:** 1st place to Baker & Friends; 2nd place to Team Avalon; 3rd place to Team Diaz

**Sand Tribes category:** 1st place to Cosenza; 2nd place to Krieger/Woldman; 3rd place to Cordova

**Grand Prize winners:** The Macher/Hanson Team. Hooray for the winners and all who participated!



And a special thanks to our registrars and judges who trekked down to the beach three times: Captain Suzanne Enis, Maria Colapinto, Anthony Colapinto, and Maile McKeown ... Great job!

Many residents and guests finally gathered once again at our **Beach Bluff Park for our traditional July 4th hot-coals/ocean-breeze barbecue**. **D.J. John Symes** spun his tunes for 5 hours to the delight of all gathered for the evening's festivities. Exuberant energy abounded! Fireworks displays were visible from many locations around the Shores, from Sea Terrace Park, Three Arch Bay, Dana Point Harbor, etc.

You can see all of the above happenings online ... check out a photographic record of all the day's events under the Galleries Tab at our NSCA website: [www.NiguelShores.org](http://www.NiguelShores.org). Several hundred images spanning 8:00 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

have been provided again by resident photographer Gary Tinnes. Look there for yourself, family, friends and neighbors.

And finally, sincere thanks also to our Maintenance Staff, Security Staff and Office Staff who handled behind-the-scenes details that helped everything run so smoothly. We are all so very blessed to have their support to always make this July 4th holiday in the Shores the big success it always is.

—Party On! In celebration, Nancy Tinnes



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