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## NIGUEL SHORES SAYS THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS





## NIGUEL SHORES | Market Update October 2015

STATUS	ADDRESS	BED/BATH	APPROX. SQ. FT.	LIST PRICE	PRICE/SQ. FT.	COE	DOM
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/3	1,500				153
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/3	1,764				56
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/3	2,120				72
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,344				38
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,556				1
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,800				12
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,671				37
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,987				194
Active	Call Bob Gino	4/4	4,397				216
Active	Call Bob Gino	4/6	3,600				172
Active	Call Bob Gino	3/3	3,550				214
Pending	Call Bob Gino	3/3	1,607				46
Pending	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,596				45
Pending	Call Bob Gino	3/2	1,415				50
Backup	Call Bob Gino	3/3	2,500				11
Sold	33554 Halyard Drive	2/2	1,268	\$949,900	\$702	7/24/15	35
Sold	23811 Cassandra Bay	3/2	1,630	\$925,000	\$567	5/14/15	31
Sold	33981 Manta Court	3/2	1,574	\$989,900	\$626	6/1/15	39
Sold	23891 Danzig Bay	3/2	1,596	\$1,195,000	\$639	10/13/15	88
Sold	33845 Manta Court	3/2	1,511	\$1,199,000	\$688	4/30/15	32
Sold	23786 Ionian Bay	3/2	1,741	\$1,095,000	\$620	6/25/15	35
Sold	33652 Halyard Drive	3/3	1,594	\$1,128,000	\$690	5/29/15	56
Sold	23835 Bluehill Bay	3/2	1,700	\$1,275,000	\$753	7/23/15	37
Sold	33531 Binnacle Drive	3/3	1,853	\$1,375,000	\$742	10/8/15	36
Sold	33715 Halyard Drive	3/3	2,250	\$1,445,000	\$613	6/29/15	238
Averages for Sold Properties		2.9/2.3	1,672	\$1,107,400	\$662		62.7

For more information on active and pending listings, please contact Bob Gino. This representation is based in whole or in part on data supplied by the Multiple Listing Service (MLS). The MLS does not guarantee and is not in any way responsible for its accuracy. Data maintained by the MLS may not reflect all real estate activity in the market.

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## FROM THE HELM

#### **REVETMENT UPDATE:**

es, you are reading this correctly; I have an update to be shared concerning the Breakers Isle revetment litigation. All parties involved in the litigation have reached a settlement and below are the key points:

- ALL the parties to the revetment lawsuit and this includes the County of Orange, have entered into a settlement agreement. This agreement was signed by all parties and enables this multi-year litigation to move forward in a positive direction toward the rebuilding of the revetment.
- All parties have agreed upon a general design of the rehabilitated revetment that includes a walkway connecting Salt Creek Beach to the existing walkway that is in front of the Strands development.
- The agreed upon design concept addresses the concerns that have been raised by the Coastal Commission in a past submission.
- This agreement provides that the County of Orange will now submit a proposal to the Coastal Commission for the rehabilitation of the revetment. All parties have agreed to cooperate in this submission of the proposal to the Coastal Commission.
- The entire case will be dismissed after the Coastal Commission approves the submission. Plans are to have the proposal ready for the Coastal Commission by year-end 2015. Once the Coastal Commission approves the proposal, the County of Orange will initiate plans to rehabilitate the revetment. Nothing

- can be done until the Coastal Commission approves the proposal.
- The timing of the revetment construction will depend on a number of factors, which are not in the control of Niguel Shores Community Association. The Board will keep all informed of the construction timeline, as the County moves forward on this rehabilitation.
- If for some reason the Coastal Commission does not approve the submission, all parties involved agree to prepare another design that will meet whatever concerns or problems the Coastal Commission raises during their approval process.
- The Niguel Shores Board does not anticipate any significant financial impact as a result of this agreement. When more design and/or construction details are available and the Coastal Commission has approved the rehabilitation and walkway the Board has plans to hold a meeting where all can view the design and rehabilitation plans for the revetment. Hopefully, this will take place in the first quarter of 2016.

Thanks to all for your patience during this multi-year process and many thanks to our legal team, Niguel Shores staff and the former and current Board members for their hard work, diligence and concern for the protection of Niguel Shores and its assets. It has been a long road; we do have a few more steps, but are on the way to the rehabilitation of the revetment in the short term.

—Jeannie Sticher

## WONDERFUL NEIGHBORS/EXCEPTIONAL VOLUNTEERS

s all of you are well aware, the Niguel Shores Community is comprised of many very dedicated volunteers who work hard to maintain our community and to help keep our dues as low as possible.

Recently, two individuals from Niguel Shores took this spirit of volunteerism to a level above and



Sam Johnson & Bob Gregg

beyond and we wanted to acknowledge their dedication. Sam Johnson and Bob Gregg were instrumental in the successful completion of our recent street seal coating and rehabilitation project. In order for this project to be completed successfully, it was necessary to insure that all vehicles were removed from streets and driveways in a timely fashion. Even though a schedule was published in the Seashore News and there were email notifications sent to all residents, Sam and Bob left nothing to chance. On the days prior to each street being seal coated, they walked door to door throughout the community, leaving notices at each and every home affected by the project, did I mention they did this during a very nasty heat wave.

As you drive throughout the community, admire the finished project and think about the dedication of these two gentlemen in helping to make it happen successfully and with as little inconvenience and additional cost to residents as possible. It is this spirit that makes us at the Seashore News proud to be a small part of such an amazing group of volunteers, thank you . . . . . Sam Johnson and Bob Gregg, you are EXCEPTIONAL VOLUNTEERS!!!

—Patti Staudenbaur

## **BOARD ACTION SUMMARY**

### **OCTOBER 7, 2015 BOARD MEETING:**

(General Session)

#### **ACCEPTED AND FILED:**

- —Financial Reports
- —Delinquency Report
- -General Session Committee Minutes

#### **APPROVED:**

- —General Session Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2015
- -General Liability, Property, D&O, Fidelity Bond and Umbrella Insurance Renewal
  - —Employee Health Insurance Renewal
- —Reverse Osmosis for Replenishment of Pool Water
  - —Allocation Method for Reserve Funding

—Rule Committee charter

**DISAPPROVED:** none

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

#### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- —Resident correspondence
  - -Manager's Report

TABLED/CONTINUED: Workman's Compensation

Insurance Renewal

#### **OCTOBER 14, 2015 BOARD MEETING:**

(Executive Session)

#### ACCEPTED AND FILED:

—Executive Session Committee Minutes

#### **APPROVED:**

- —Executive Session Meeting Minutes from September 14, 2015
- —Executive Session Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2015

**DISAPPROVED:** none

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

—Thirteen (13) hearings for violations of Rule 6405

#### **REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:**

- -Legal correspondence
- —Delinquency reports
  - —Lien Filing

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, NOVEMBER 4, 2015

## **GM REPORT**

### **ASSOCIATION MAINTAINED LANDSCAPING:**

here are many landscaped areas within Niguel Shores maintained by the Association and not the homeowner of the property where the landscape is located. This was all part of the original recorded CC&R's, which provides the Association with an easement over certain portions of properties for landscape maintenance. Part of this maintenance includes irrigation of the plant material in the easement area.

In some situations an owner may decide they would like to take over the maintenance responsibility for the easement area. For the transfer to occur, NSCA must first review the governing documents of the Association to make sure it is permissible. If permitted, you will be required to submit a plan for approval by the Architectural Committee.

Once the homeowner has approval for planting and irrigation of an easement, the Association will have both Harvest Landscape and the SCWD inspect the area to confirm the homeowner has not connected their sprinklers to the Association's reclaimed irrigation lines. This is crucial as there cannot be a cross-connection of potable and reclaimed water on the same line. If your landscaper merely hooks up to the Association's irrigation, there could be a cross-connection which could cause damage on many levels. It is very important that all parties continue to work together to prevent reclaimed irrigation systems from connecting to potable water systems in Niguel Shores.

## GM REPORT CONT.

#### TREE TRIMMING CONTINUES:

The special tree trimming crews have been hard at work for the past month and will continue until they complete the entire project. They have had a few setbacks with the warm weather and the street work being done this year, but they will get through the 2000 +/- trees soon. Your patience with this project is very much appreciated.

### **THANK YOU:**

Thanksgiving is approaching and I believe we should all be thankful for something. I want to demonstrate the importance of THANK YOU by sending everyone a quick note to say:

- Thank you for your patience during the street work.
- Thank you for your understanding about views during the tree trimming process.
- Thank you for coming into the office with positive comments and compliments.
- Thank you for completing a homeowner request form and not filing a complaint.
- Thank you for being courteous to staff, landscapers and patrol service.
- Thank you for submitting all requests in an encouraging manner.
- Thank you for your understanding and patience if the response you get is not necessarily the one you want, even if it is the only one we can provide to you.

- Thank you Blayke Miller for being such a happy face to see when you come into the office.
- Thank you Matt Northrop for all the help you provide to members of this Association.
- Thank you Karen Decker for the support you provide to the Committees, the Board and myself in keeping things running smoothly.
- Thank you Ivy Hsia for keeping us balanced, and for your dedication and years of service to this Association.
- Thank you George Cooley for keeping everything together and keeping our supply of duck tape handy.
- Thank you Dave Smith for the pride you take in doing your job and the crystal clear pool that owners enjoy.
- Thank you Tom Shimkus for your hard work and dedication to the community.
- Thank you Ray Russomanno taking on another role and doing it with such a positive attitude.
- Thank you for making Niguel Shores a great place to live and work.

As you celebrate this Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends remember:

> Every day, be sure to tell somebody thank you. -Unknown

Happy Thanksgiving from the Niguel Shores Staff -Marla Miler

## FROM THE SCWD – EVERY DROP COUNTS

ongratulation Niguel Shores. Keep up the good work. That is the feeling expressed by the South Coast Water District (SCWD). The reason for their euphoria about N.S. can be understood as you read the following water savings that N.S. has achieved since 2013.

Let me begin with the savings as a result of the turf reduction on Association landscaping. In 2013, Niguel Shores removed 97,000 sq. ft. This year we removed another 147,000 sq. ft. of turf and replaced the turf with drought tolerant plants. That equates to a total of 244,000 sq. ft. According to SCWD, we have saved 42 gallons of water per sq. ft. per year from our turf removal. Calculated out means we will have saved over 12 million future gallons per year.

Where else have we saved our precious water? We have replaced our inefficient sprinkler nozzles throughout our community with 1644 high efficiency nozzles that water with less spray loss and less water evaporation. This also eliminates water run-off, a key target that the SCWD goes after.

Let us turn now to another water saving action that your Association has completed. Replacing the turf with drought tolerant plants permitted us to install a drip irrigation system for these plants. In total 10-12,000 feet of drip irrigation has been laid down. Results – less water used.

Here is another fact how N.S. is helping with the drought. In our community center we have a 120,000-gallon swimming pool. Twice a year we need to remove from 50-75% of the swimming pool water in order to maintain a safe and healthy pool. This task is accomplished in the spring and in the fall. The main reason to remove this amount of water has to do with the buildup of dissolved solids in the water. It is not my intent in this article to discuss how and what are these solids, but when the dissolved solids reach a high concentration we need to remove them. In the past to remove 50 to 75 percent

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## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

The above photos were taken at our AED/CPR/First Aid class held in the Niguel Shores clubhouse on Saturday, Oct 26 and attended by a dozen residents. It was our third class and, as with the first two, got enthusiastic reviews by the participants. WHY? Because it provided hands-on training on LIFE SAVING techniques using an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), and a number of procedures to administer first aid.



Our AED/CPR/First Aid class held in the Niguel Shores ClubHouse

Aside from attending one of our certified classes (we will conduct another one at the beginning of 2016), what should you know to be prepared for life threatening situations in or away from home?

CPR: many people think that by doing CPR we can bring a person back, or start the heart. It is very rare for CPR alone to start the heart. The purpose of CPR is to stop the dying process and "buy time" so that brain damage does not occur before EMS (Emergency Medical Service) arrives for the victim. When encountering a person you believe has suffered a heart attack it is IMPERATIVE to start compression squeezes IMMEDIATELY along with calling 911 and providing rescue breaths to supply enough oxygen to sustain the victim's life.

If there is an AED available nearby, ask someone to retrieve it immediately and use it in conjunction with CPR. The AED is never used by itself. The AED is completely automated and will give an audible voice instruction to the user on how to turn the power on, connect the pads/electrodes, it will analyze the victim's heart rhythm and then advise if a shock is to be delivered by the AED.

Niguel Shores has an AED just inside the main door to our Clubhouse on the wall and you should familiarize yourself with its location (we are planning the purchase of another unit next year). While the use of CPR and an AED are relatively intuitive, there is no substitute for taking a hands-on class and becoming familiar with the techniques should a life

saving emergency occur.

The additional class content was a thorough review of various FIRST AID steps that ranged from choking (Heimlich maneuver), serious allergic reactions (how to use an epinephrine pen), stroke, what to do if a person is suffering from low blood sugar (unresponsive diabetic), seizures, shock, visible bleeding, heat-related emergencies and the list goes on....

PLEASE, don't think someone else will be there to respond to necessary actions in various emergencies. Arm yourself with the knowledge and training to administer LIFE SAVING ASSISTANCE to a family member, neighbor, or stranger. The

Internet could keep if you are busy 24/7 with tips, training, etc., BUT, why don't you take one of our upcoming classes and experience a new knowledge and comfort level of **EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS??** 

-Kent Wellbrock

## ARCHITECTURAL COMMITTEE

The Niguel Shores Architectural committee has recently changed our process to review smaller AC projects such as replacements of garage doors, windows, exterior light fixtures, house painting to name a few. We are grouping similar projects under consent items to speed up the approval process. This should help homeowners receive approval faster. Just a reminder that any exterior project even replacing exterior light fixtures, needs AC approval. We are seeing an increase of homeowners that seek forgiveness rather than permission for projects. Remember Exterior home changes, Landscaping,

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Hardscape and Drainage must be submitted for approval. The Architectural Committee is here to help you. We want to keep this community in the best condition we can. Our goal is to continue to improve home values by complying with our rules and regulations.

—Jerry Koppang

## TRAFFIC AND SAFETY WRONG SIDE OF THE STREET

Simply put, the California Vehicle Code addresses the problems associated with parallel curb parking on the wrong side of the roadway by mandating that both right side wheels on a parked vehicle are within 18 inches of the curb. Recently, we have received complaints and concerns about these violations. Some folks feel that such parking detracts from the sense of orderliness in the community and a disregard for our rules and regulations. Others perceive this to be primarily a safety concern as to park in such a fashion, the driver must head into an oncoming traffic lane. Without belaboring an issue, I feel that we can all agree that it is not good defensive driving habit.

Our patrol personnel are addressing this problem in adherance with the associations rules and last month issued 144 parking citations for this violation.

Guests: Parking without a properly displayed permit is still occurring despite stiff penalties. Repeat violators are having their cars towed. A gentle reminder here is that we are both ethically and monetarily responsible for the conduct of our guests. As a good neighbor and host, please screen your guest list, and when the folks arrive remind them that you are responsible for their conduct.

**Just Doing Their Job:** Sheriff Sandra Hutchens recently spoke before members of the Men's Club. The first thing she mentioned was her impression of the thoroughness of our patrol personnel in screening her and other people entering our community. She commented that we are fortunate to enjoy the quality of security they provide.

God Bless.

—Tim Murphy

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of the pool water meant draining 60,000 to 90,000 gallons of water. All that water was dumped into the sewer.

Now a new procedure to clean the removed water and return the majority back into the swimming pool is possible. George Cooley, our Facilities Manager, investigated this new procedure and determined N.S. should employ it. He obtained approval from the Board of Directors and will be scheduling implementation within the next 30 days.

What is the new procedure? It is a procedure that uses reverse osmosis. A special trailer will be parked in front of the community center, flow lines will be connected from the trailer to the pool and pool water will be sucked into the special trailer, processed through the trailer's internal reverse osmosis system and the majority returned into the swimming pool. With this system only about 18,000 gals will be lost using. That means we, N.S., will have saved between 42,000 and 72,000 gallons of potable water. The SCWD is extremely happy.

Remember, effective November 1, 2015, per SCWD Ordinance 206, potable watering days a week using sprinkler systems will be limited to one (1) day per week again through March 2016. Residential watering day is Monday only.

I have written above what your association has accomplished to reduce its water consumption. But you,

N.S. homeowners, have also done your part to save water. According to the SCWD homeowner water usage is down 31% from last year. So pat your Association on the back and pat yourself as well. That is the American way.

One last comment. Please re-read the important G.M. Report on page 4 where it describes the importance of preventing our reclaimed association irrigation water from mixing with your potable home water.

-Karl Kuhn



### WOMEN'S CLUB

On November 12, beginning at 12 noon, the Women's Club will be hosting the Second Harvest Food Bank. Representatives will be on hand to explain the broad range of programs that they have for the 349,000 people



New members: Beth Anne Huffman, Mary Elin Ellis, and seated **Ruth Edwards** 



October Fashion Show models: From left, Marilyn Moon, Marian Kennedy, Kathy Koch, Nadine Allen. Not shown Karen Linger and Linda Duffer

in need in Orange Please County. bring your donations of canned goods and other foodstuffs in their original packaging. Immediately after the meeting, Tina Fornadley will lead a group on a tour of the Second Harvest Food Bank. Please contact Tina at tinaforawon@gmail. com if you wish to go on this field trip. she needs to know by November 5th.

Look for your e-mail invitation to the luncheon on Thursday, November 5. Please respond by Sunday, November 8. You will be notified by email 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 or Gloria Weintraub at rdabook@cox.net.

-Ginny Nevitt

## MEN'S CLUB

Last month we had a Fall Party, learned about nuclear power decommissioning, and recalled Dana Point development history.

Speaking of Fall Parties, we had a great one on October 13. The Men's Club had a special Oktoberfest evening at the Community Center where the members of the club and a spouse or guest enjoyed German bratwurst and all the trimmings while listening to German music. A special thanks should be given to Jack Christianson and the ad hoc committee for organizing the event, to the dinner chefs, Jerry Koppang, Jack Sweeney, Jack Christiansen, to the BBQ chefs, Bob Borland and Al Glatt, and to the desert chefs, Suzanne Enis, Georgie Borland, Grace Glatt, Ann Christiansen, Nadine Allen, and Lee Sweeney. Suzanne Enis and Ann Christiansen set up decorations. German music, cold beer, bratwursts, potato salad, Jack Sweeney's famous sauerkraut and an apple strudel type dessert, and many people-yelling Prost, to the music of Linda Herman. It doesn't get any better than that. To top this one, we will need to start planning for the next one soon.

Tradition continued at both meetings as President Bill Tally opened with a well-deserved thank you to our breakfast teams.

On Sept 15 our guest speaker was Brian Sarno from the Design Engineering group of the Southern California Edison, San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. Brian gave us an update on San Onofre history and the current decommissioning process. Generating Unit 1 operated from 1968 to 1992. Unit 2 was started in 1983 and Unit 3 started in 1984. Upgrades designed to last 20 years were made to the reactor units in 2009 and 2010; however, both reactors had to be shut down in January 2012 because of problems with the steam generators. Nuclear power plants are required to put aside funds for decommissioning while the plant is operating. The California Public Utility Commission regulates utilities that own nuclear plants in the state and has allowed SCE to collect those funds during San Onofre's operating years. The money is collected from customers and invested in dedicated trusts. The current balance in those trusts is \$4.1 Billion.

SCE and San Onofre owners have established three core principles for decommissioning: Safety, Stewardship and Engagement. Safety is all-inclusive but much effort is focused on moving spent fuel from wet to dry storage. Stewardship involves returning the site to the owners (US Navy and ultimately us) in good condition and prudent use of the decommissioning funding. Engagement involves presentations such as Brian's visit to our meeting, and to community-led information panels. Key phases of the decommissioning process are Planning (5 years), actual decommissioning activity (10 years), and License Termination (NRC approval of the finished job, 5 years). (The NRC allows 60 years for the decommissioning process.)

Three environmental efforts that are supported by the generating station are: San Dieguito Wetlands (\$90 million), Wheeler North Reef (\$46 million), and Hubbs Hatchery (\$5 million).

On Oct 6, C.W. Gruenig introduced our guest speaker, Mayor Carlos N. Olvera, acknowledging his extensive resume as a Naval Officer, an engineer, and a public servant. Mayor Olvera held us spellbound as he recounted the history of Dana Point, placing emphasis on the many inter-



Mayor Carlos N. Olvera

twining forces that turned a weekend destination, called San Juan By the Sea (at the turn of the 20th century), into our beloved city. He told stories of Sidney H. Woodruff, (famous for the HOLLYWOOD sign), who encouraged investors to purchase extensive land in the area to create a resort town. Many attempts to bring industry south from Los Angeles failed for a

variety of reasons, the Great Depression, WWII, unfortunate timing. Even a plan to grow flowers and make perfume went under. One failure led to oil tycoon, Edward Doheny, donating the land for Doheny Beach State Park, California's first state beach.

The town finally caught a wave in the 1950's when surfing became popular and Hobie Alter became a wellknown producer of boards and "the cat" sailing hot rod. (Soon we may see a monument in recognition of Hobie and the surfing industry).

All of these stories provided a prelude to a discussion of the 1989 Planning Commission's efforts that evolved into the Town Center concept and an ongoing effort to convert many small lots into larger businesses.

Many fascinating tidbits peppered the question and answer session. Such as: Monarch Beach's name refers to the Monarch of Spain, not the butterfly, and our name first appeared when surveyors called the high spot on the headlands Dana's Point.

When discussing the City's investment in infrastructure intended to attract business investors to a mixed-use, pedestrian-friendly town center, the Mayor indicated that we would recover much of this expenditure through an impact fee charged to new businesses.

Upcoming Events:

Nov. 17: Scot Black - All About Home Security

Dec. 1: Joe Muller, Dana Point Development Progress

Dec 15: Dana Hills Chorus- members are encouraged to bring our loved ones to the meeting for this treat

—Jerry Allen

## **GARDEN CLUB**

The Garden Club met on Monday October 19. Our thanks to Carmen Murphy, JoAnn Webb, Grace Glatt, Marilou Heckman, Karla Sanders and Suzanne Enis for a lavish luncheon.

Our guest speaker was Annie Hall Bosche from Annie Hall Landscape Design of Mission Viejo. She gave an enlightening lecture on roses. She educated us on terms from Bare Root Roses to Own root roses and the advantages and disadvantages of each type. For those interested in venturing into creating a rose garden, start with the Julia Child drought tolerant yellow roses or the Lady Banks roses. Always buy grade 1

roses. Another choice is the David Austin, which are large, fragrant and disease resistant roses. Since our soil is quite alkaline, coffee grounds, being acidic, are ideal for roses as well as azaleas, citrus fruit trees and other acid loving



Annie Hall

plants. I just picked up a big bag from Starbucks for free! I will be reporting on our annual Lobster fest to be held

on October 29, in the next report.

Our next garden club meeting is on November 16. It is that time of the year for our Forget Me Not project. The committee will be shopping for items the homebound senior may need. If you have any items such as hotel shampoo, lotion, etc. from trips you have taken please bring them. Also, it would be wonderful if you can contribute a book of postage stamps and a new coffee mug to be included in the gift bag. It would help a lot if you could bring scissors and scotch tape for the gift bag assembling we will be doing.

Annie also talked to us about not using pesticide sprays that would kill the good bacteria and worms, which reminds me of this question:

What do you call it when worms take over not only your garden but the world? Global wOrming!

—Lakshman Sehgal

## **BRIDGE NEWS**

We play bridge every Wednesday at 11 a.m. and if you like to play ALL AMERICAN bridge, come and join us. We are preparing for a Christmas party in December which is always a lot of fun as we exchange gifts, some of which are white elephants that we've dug up in our closets that we've had stashed away. We have a good time and always looking for new players - if interested, please call 496-4230 and we'll welcome you.

Winners are:

Sept. 27 - Sandy Youdbulis, Lee Farrell, Ruth Ay

Sept. 30 - Jane Olson, Freida Baskin, Trudy Buck

Oct. 7th - Mary Ann Theisen, Judy Bates, Lee Farrell Oct. 14 - Pouri Fowzi, Mary Ann Theisen, Freida Baskin

-Helen Campbell

## AFTERNOON PAGETURNERS

The Afternoon Page Turners' groups will meet this month to discuss 97 Orchard: An Edible History of Five Immigrant Families in One New York Tenement by June Zieglman.

"97 Orchard is a richly detailed investigation of the lives and culinary habits—shopping, cooking, and eating—of five families of various ethnicities living at the turn of the twentieth century in one tenement on the Lower East Side of Manhattan. With 40 recipes included, 97 Orchard is perfect for fans of Rachel Ray's Hometown Eats; anyone interested in the history of how immigrant food became American food; and "foodies" of every stripe."

The Monday group will meet November 23 and the Thursday afternoon group on November 19.

For more information about PageTurners contact: Monday afternoons: Diane Hearne: dhearne476@gmail.com Thursday afternoons: Lisa Buchner: lisabuchner@cox.net

—Diane Hearne

## LIBRARY NEWS

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

#### **Toddler and Preschool:**

**Toddler Storytime**. Tuesday, November 3, 10, 17, 24, 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. This event is for children 18 - 35 months accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

**Preschool Storytime.** Tuesday, November 3, 10, 17, 24, 11:00 to 11:30 a.m. This event is for children ages 3 to 5 yrs. accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

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

**Sunday Movie Matinee**. Sunday, November 15, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Your children will love watching a different movie every month. Call the library for the current movie title.

**PJ Storytime with the Sunshine Readers**. Monday, November 30, 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Walk-ins welcome. Your children will love the high energy and antics of the Sunshine Readers! Pre-registration not required.

**School's Out Movie**. Tuesday, November 24, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Call for title.

**Special Turkey Storytime.** Saturday, November 7, 11:00 a.m. to noon.

**Family Gaming Afternoon.** Monday, November 23, 2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

**International Games Day.** Saturday, November 21, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. Play video, traditional board games.

#### **Children School Age:**

**Homework Help.** Wednesdays, November 4, 18, 3:30 p.m. and Mondays, November 2, 9, 16, 30, 3:30 p.m. This event is for students grades K-8 for free assistances from high school tutors on a first come, first served basis.

**Read to a Dog.** Wednesday, November 4, 3:00 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, November 12, 4:00 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 Time.** Mondays, November 9, 16, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. November 23. 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Ages 12-17.

**Teen Advisory Board.** Monday, November 2, 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. Teens, tell the library what you want. From books to programs, we want to know.

**Tween Scene.** Thursday, November 19, 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Tweens ages 9-12. Come for hands-on experiments and projects.

#### **Adults**

**Meet the Author.** Friday, November 13, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Author Lani Kauten will discuss her book *Breaking Summer*:

**Meet the Author.** Friday, November 20, 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. Author Marti Melville will discuss her book *The Déjà vu Chronicles*.

**Teatime Book Club.** Monday, November 23, 10:30 a.m. for tea and book chats. Bring your favorite cup for tea.

-Karl Kuhn

## MEN'S GOLF

On October 13 we had our monthly tournament at Bella Colina Country Club in San Clemente. The course, better know as *The Goat Hill* was in great shape and the wather was perfect. The game was *1, 2, 3, Foursomes*. In this format the scoring is 1st hole score is best net score of the foursome. The 2nd hole scoring is the 2 best net scores of the foursome, and the 3rd hole score is the 3 best net scores of the foursome. Balance of holes repeats this sequence.

**First Place Team:** Dick Grabham, Don Duffer, Dennis Rosene, John Monson with a score of 126

**Second Place Team:** Bob Russell, Roy Dohner, Morry Dohner, Mike Stively with a score of 130

Third Place Team: Mike Roberts, John Torok, Steve

Geisler with a score of 135

**Fourth Place Team:** Bob Gutknecht, Boyd Van Ness, Mac Brown, John Cobain with a score of 143

CTP#2 Bob Russell CTP#6 Mike Stively

Our next tournament is on November 10th at Arrowood in Oceanside.

-Bob Russell

### Low eighties

I play golf in the low eighties, the old man was telling one of the youngsters at his club. Wow, said the young man, that's pretty impressive.

Not really, said the old man, Any hotter and I'd probably have a stroke.

## WOMEN'S GOLF

It was another hot day, but a cloud cover stayed in and a nice breeze was with us keeping us fairly cool. Nary a deer crossed our path. The game of the day picked by Captains Barbara Brabeck & Liz Kelsch was SCRAMBLE which is played with teams. (After the drive, each player has to hit every time from the spot where the team's last ball had landed. Each player's drive has to be taken as best ball one time.) There were four cancellations due to injuries, but all are resting and recovering. We were left with three teams. A Halloween TREAT was that each team could reduce one score to a par.

#### Winners:

Second place with a score of 36 — Team 1 (Val Mitchell, Barbara Brabeck, & Liz Kelsch)

First place with a score of 34 — Team 2, Marlene Lynch, Julie Patton and Irene McDonald

Closest to the pin on #6 —

Julie Patton

Closest to the pin on #8 —

Val Mitchell

Longest drive on hole #9 —
Julie Patton

Congratulations to Julie Patton, biggest winner of the day! After golf we were joined by one social member, Ruthie Stahl for lunch onthe terrace.

Next Funday is Monday, November 9. Captains are Val Mitchell (582-8311) and Terri Matrisch (443-9985). Please call one of them to cancel or to be added to the list to play.

#### Notable Quotes

Babe Ruth: It took me 17 years to get 3,000 hits in baseball. I think I did it in one afternoon on the golf course.

Billy Graham: The only time my prayers are never answered is on the golf course

—Liz Kelsch, 661-5802

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## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR — ANOTHER VETERAN

#### Mike Oliva

his month's Meet Your Neighbor is Mike Oliva, who lives with his wife Peggy, on Windward Drive. After my many requests he has finally agreed to be interviewed for this article for the month we recognize and honor our Military Veterans. I am truly grateful for Mike allowing me to tell his story.

His story begins in the fall of 1965 while Mike was attending Pepperdine College in California. He received a draft notice to report for a Physical. Recognizing that enlisting instead of being drafted offered more options, Mike decided to enlist in the

Army for 3 years. As all recruits start out in basic training Mike had to report to Ft. Bliss, TX. He had requested to join the Army Forces Special Training School. Part of the road to Special Forces School was taking Advanced Infantry Training and after completing Basic he was assigned to Advanced Infantry Training at Ft. Ord Ca. Graduating at the top of his class he reapplied to Special Forces and was sent to Ft. Benning, Ga. for Jump School. In July 1966 after completing Jump School he was reassigned to Fort Bragg where he was to begin training as an Engineer and Demolition Specialist. After 4 months of schooling he was sent to Fort Benning, Ga to attend Officers Candidate School (OCS) to begin training to become an officer. After graduating from OCS he was supposed to return to Ft. Bragg, NC for further training as a Green Beret. Due to an over flow of the officers applying for Special Forces he was not able to return. He requested Flight Training and after being accepted he spent the next year learning to fly various Army planes.

Upon completion of Flight School he was given a 30 day leave before reporting to the APO in San Francisco for deployment to Viet Nam. During his visit home, he took his younger sister to a picnic on the 4th of July 1968, where he met his beautiful future wife Peggy.

He arrived in August 1968 in the republic of Viet Nam and was assigned to the 64th Aviation Recon Aircraft Company in Pho Loi. His job as Forward Air Control (FAC) was directing artillery and Air Strikes on enemy targets. The aircraft Mike was flying was an O-1 Bird-Dog (see adjacent picture) which has a high wing over the pilots head. Later that year Mike was supporting a battalion of tanks and armored personnel carriers in the Michelin Rubber Plantation and was shot by a VC (Viet Cong). The bullet severed an oil line. Seeing the loss of oil pressure Mike shut



Mike Oliva

down the engine and called down to the tanks below to get off the road, as he had to make a forced landing. He landed safely and the aircraft was recovered and brought back to Pho Loi by a CH-54 Flying Crane.

After seven months in combat Mike earned R&R in Hawaii. During his months in Viet Nam Mike never missed a day without writing and sending pictures to Peggy. In March 1969 Mike took R&R in Hawaii where he met his parents who brought Peggy along with them. Wasting no time he and Peggy became engaged.

The leave was soon over and Mike returned to Viet Nam. He was transferred from Pho Loi to Long Thang North where he was trained flying the U21 Beech Craft King Air (Turbine). He continued flying this faster aircraft proving transportation between cities in Viet Nam for highranking personnel. After one year in Viet Nam he was given a 30-day leave. He returned home where he visited his home and married Peggy. They honeymooned in Mexico on a trip that Peggy won on Hollywood Squares.

Returning to Viet Nam for the third time Mike continued with the Command Aircraft Company ferrying troops around Country. A month later he was awarded the Air Metal from the President of the United States for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight in the Republic of Viet Nam. Lieutenant Oliva actively participated in more than 25 aerial missions over enemy territory in support of operations against communist aggression.

After leaving Viet Nam Mike was promoted to the rank of Captain and assigned to the 421st Air Ambulance Company in Stuggart, Germany. He and Peggy lived there for the next 18 months. After 5 years and 8 months in the Army, Mike took leave for the final time, and returned home to California.

- Karl Kuhn



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## Carol's Cuisine Corner

It is Turkey day at home, family and friends here for extra days. To give them a change after that day, try different cuisines at some of the following restaurants.

## Carbonara Trattoria Italiana

111 Avenida Del Mar, S.C., 366-1040, Hours 11:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 10 p.m.

**La Siesta** (Mexican), 920 N. El Camino, SC, 498 3094 Hours 9 a.m. - 10:30 p.m.

**Ricardo's** (Mexican) 320892 Camino Capistrano, SJC, 493 -4941Hours 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. **Sun Dried Tomatoes** (Variety), 821 Via Suerte, St. 101 S.C. 388-8668 Hours 11 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Casanova Ristorante, (Variety) 33585 Del Obispo, D.P. 496 0992 Hours.3:30 p.m. – 10 p.m.

Fratello's Italian Family, 638 Camino De Los Mares, SC 661 5200 Hours 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Rancho Capistrano Winery (Variety), 26755 Verdugo, SJC, Hours 11 a.m. – 11 p.m.

Sarducci's Capistrano Depot (Variety) 26701 Verdugo, SJC,493-9593, Hours 8 a.m. – 10 p.m.

Vintage (Steak (Variety), 26701 Verdugo, SJC, 661-3400 Hours 8 a.m. – 11 p.m.

**Starfish Laguna LLC** (Fish (Variety) 30832 Coast Hwy. LB. 715 9200 Hours 11 a.m. – 9:30 p.m.

Enjoy Thanksgiving and being with family and friends, then at a variety of restaurants. Do not forget those reservations!

Bon Appetite! — Carol Yocom

## NEWS FROM THE CITY

Some have asked and some may wonder what is the status of the building development in the Lantern District revitalization. Here is a brief update of the new building development:

The Base Motel. While plans for the new mixed use project, which includes commercial businesses on the first floor and residential studios/lofts on the upper floors, are currently in Design Review by the Dana Point Planning Dept. They are primarily a first design for architecture compliance. Due

to pressure from D.P. citizens and the city council about the unsightliness of the run down motel the Coastal Commission and the Calif. State Parks, which was holding up the demolishment of the motel for regulatory reasons, finally agreed to the demolition.

Trailer Park behind Denny's at the intersection of PCH and Del Obispo, another mixed use development with commercial and condo units proposed, is currently in Development Plan Check in the D.P. Planning Dept.

Plans from the new BevMo Store at the southern entrance to the Lantern District at Copper Lantern have been reviewed. The plans call for a new building, which BevMo refers to as a small box store, will include a courtyard and parking.

Two new eating establishments are current being worked on at the north end of the Lantern district at PCH and Blue Lantern. The restaurant on the left heading south is the *Craft House* that will feature American food. Across the corner will be the *Coastal Kitchen* that will be a café.

Lastly, the Union Bank at the corner of PCH and Golden Lantern has not submitted building plans for it's approved mixed-use project.

— Karl Kuhn



### THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS continued from page 1

NAME	SERVICE BRANCH	YEARS SERVICE	DUTY/AREA STATION					
Jim O'Neill *	Marine Corps	1957-1962	Camp Lejune, N.C.					
Arthur Pappas, MD*	Army	1966-1968	Army Medical Corp, Capt.					
Michael J. Patzakis MD	Army	1964-1971	Battalion Surgeon, Major					
Jerry Pearl *	Navy	1941-1945	WWII, Sicily, Salerno					
Ronald Portnoff MD	Air Force	1970-1973	Calif,Texas,Guam,Thailand					
Brian Ralph	Marine Corps	1983-1987						
George Schramm *	Army	1964-1970	Ft. Jackson, S.C.					
Joseph Wm. Smith	Army	1963-1969	Instructor, Ft. Knox, Ky					
Robert Seddelmeyer	Army	1968-1970						
Hersey Steinwinter	Army Air Corp	WWII	Italy, Over Germany					
Walter Stout *	Army	1954-1962	Ft. Ord, Presidio S.F,					
Curtis Swanson Capt.	Army	1968-1960	Instructor, AF Academy					
Jack Sweeney *	Army	2 years	Korean War					
Michael Syndell	Marine Corps	1973-1981	Fighter Attack Squadron					
Gary Tinnes *	Army	1967-1969	Viet Nam, Thailand					
Ed Ungerman	Air Force	1949-1952	Korea					
Tim Young, Lt.	Navy	1971-1977						
Not to be forgotten. One last tribute for N.S. veterans who left this world since the last Veterans Day:								
Woody Woodward	Navy	Navy						

EDITORS NOTE: The \* by the above veteran's name indicates he is a member of the Niguel Shores Men's Club. If you are not a member, NOW may be the perfect time to join and then you can swap tales of your military service.

## WHAT IS A VETERAN?

A veteran is someone who, at one point in his life, wrote a blank check made payable to citizens of United States for an amount of up to and including my life.

-Unknown

A man who is good enough to shed his blood for his country is good enough to be given a square deal afterward. -Theodore Roosevelt





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