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## HONORING NIGUEL SHORES MILITARY ON VETERANS DAY

NAME	U.S. SERVICE BRANCH	YEARS	DUTY/STATION/HONORS
Madelyn R. Baladi	Navy	1970-74	Navy Nurse Long Beach Naval Hospital
Erin Bevacqua	Marine Corps	Current	Iraq, Pentagon Washington DC
Joseph Bevacqua	Army National Guard		Ft Ord, Ft Dix
Bob Borland	Air Force	1952-80	Strategic Missiles Program
Jack Christiansen	Navy	1954-56	USS Midway
Don Duffer	Marine Corps	1962-94	Fighter Pilot Vietnam '66-67
Mark Duffer		1994-2015	Lt Colonel Fighter Pilot
Al Glatt	Navy	1957-60	Turkey
Doug Ehlers	Merchant Marines, Marine Corps	1940s	Hawaii, Leyte, Philippines
Sam Fitzmaurice	Navy	Current	U.S. Naval Academy Grad 2014, S.Carolina
John Fogle	Army	1967-71	C 2nd, 17th Cavalry, 101st Airborne, Purple Heart, Air Medal for Valor
Steve Galer	Army		Iraq
Jimmie Lee Gray	Navy	1952-78	Lt Commander Navy Submarines
Bill Halbert	Army	1962-64	Okinawa, Vietnam
George Hartmann	Coast Guard	1962-65	Lt JG
Fred B. Hill	Navy		Asia
Casey Jarvis	Air Force	WWII	Pilot Germany
Karl Kuhn	Army	1956-59	Japan
Sam T. Johnson	Army	1957-59	Ballistics Aberdeen Proving Ground
Ryan McDaniel	Marine Corps		Iraq
Allen Mednick	Navy	1966-71	Flight Crew
Brandon Moore	Navy		Mediterranean Fleet
Timothy Moore	Army	1966-68	Vietnam
Steve Morris	Navy	1962-64	Hawaii
Michael Oliva	Army Air Corps	1965-71	Captain Vietnam, Germany, U.S.
Bob Ryan	Air Force	1958-61	Strategic Air Command

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# Why NOW is a \_\_\_\_\_ **GOOD TIME TO SELL** \_\_\_\_\_ in Niguel Shores

- 1 Only serious buyers are in the marketplace
- 2 People come from all over the world to enjoy the Southern California weather
- 3 The uncertainty of tax reform in 2018
- 4 Houses never look or sell better than they do around the holidays
- 5 Visiting relatives should buy a place instead of staying with you next year
- 6 Everybody wishes they could live in Niguel Shores

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# FROM THE HELM

It's a fact. Most homeowners have never attended a NSCA Board Meeting. (I might not go myself, except Marla makes me.) So here is a little information for those homeowners who've not been present at one of our exciting Board Meetings:

Our General Session starts with a Public Forum. This is an opportunity for individual homeowners to address the Board for 3 to 5 minutes with ideas, suggestions, and concerns about issues in Niguel Shores. Normally we do not enter into discussions unless the issue is something already on the agenda, but it's a great place for owners to express their opinions and be heard.

After the Public Forum, we get down to work. At last month's meeting, we reviewed new and revised rules for 2018 to be sent to all our homeowners. I think it's important for homeowners to understand this process. For the last 4 to 5 months, we have had a Rules Committee reviewing all our current rules and suggesting changes or new rules. Their primary purpose is to edit and rewrite the rules so they are clearer for homeowners. Once the committee has completed their review, the edited rules are sent to our legal advisors to be sure they meet legal standards. If okayed by legal, these come back to the Board to be approved and sent to all homeowners.

This is where we are right now, and you should be receiving these revised rules soon. You have 30 days to review and, if you feel it necessary, make comments back to the Board before final approval, which is set for the December meeting. To put your mind at ease, there are no earth-shattering new rules, but instead minor revisions, making the rules easier to understand.

Also on the October agenda was a request for a refrigerated drinking fountain at the tennis courts. After evaluating the cost of installing and maintaining such a fountain, the Board determined that bringing water bottles would be a better solution.

Another request was to build pickleball courts. Pickleball is very popular so we looked into the expense and noise factors. With a cost of more than \$100,000 and a significant increase in noise, we decided against building the courts. But, as I said, pickleball is popular, so one of our Board members came up with this information on free pickleball at the Dana Point Community Center:

## **DP Community Center Pickleball Courts and Play Times**

- **Option 1)** Two (2) outdoor courts open M-F. Community Center has equipment to use. Sign in at the front desk with ID. First come, first served. No cost.
- **Option 2)** Four (4) indoor courts, open M/W/F 12:00-2:30 p.m. and T/Th 8:00-10:30 a.m. No drop-ins. Registration required. Courts rotated if more registered than courts. Fee varies as it works like classes. You must wear court shoes, have your own paddle and a working knowledge of the game. They are considering about scheduling a few "learning" classes.

Lastly, the current status of the Breakers Isle revetment is still awaiting review by the Coastal Commission. Hopefully we will know more after their next meeting in January.

—Bob Russell

## GM REPORT

**Tree Trimming Continues:** The tree trimming throughout the community has begun and should be completed by the end of November or the first part of December. Although view complaints arise throughout the year, the fall months are the best time to trim our community trees. Once the trimming is completed, the trees should not grow a lot during the winter months. Then you can expect them to come back during the spring and we will start over again with the same process next fall. Hopefully, we will reach your area very soon, but keep in mind that we have around 2,000 trees throughout the community. Your patience with this project is very much appreciated.

**Office Closed:** The management office will be closed Friday, November 10 in honor of Veteran's Day and November 23 and 24 for Thanksgiving. No construction is allowed on

November 11 or November 23. Construction will be allowed on Friday, November 24. Thank you for your understanding, and we will be happy to help you during regular business hours on your next trip to the office.

**Police Presence in Niguel Shores:** I have written several times about the police patrol in our community. They were here over the summer and issued several warnings. This month they have begun to step it up and have implemented a new motorcycle police officer who will be issuing citations. On one day recently (within a few hours) the officer issued several citations for running stop signs. Although some individuals do not feel this is appropriate or fair, please understand that the same laws apply to the streets within Niguel Shores that apply on any street. For everyone's safety, please watch your speed, stop

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# COMMITTEE REPORTS

## MAINTENANCE

**Stairway Maintenance:** The old grey stairway ain't what she used to be. Well almost. Maintenance has completed refurbishment of the wood stairway leading from the Villas to Sea Terrace Two. The stairway, forty-one steps and six landings, was originally installed by the developer in the late 1970s and was in need of refurbishment.



Remodeled stairway from Villas to Townhomes

The lower wooden deck has now been replaced with concrete, and several of the steps have been replaced and reinforced with metal hangers. Additional guard rails have been added. Bonding compound has replaced rot in some of the pillars. The entire structure has been painted, and a slip-resistant surface and yellow edging have been added to the steps.

Maintenance completed a similar refurbishment in March of 2009 when the wood pillars that support the structure were in serious disrepair. Replacing the pillars would have required essentially replacing the entire structure at a significant cost. Instead, the pillars were repaired by digging out the decayed material and then filling the pillars with an epoxy compound, thus saving considerable expense.

With this 2017 refurbishment, the stairway should be good for another five or six years. At that time we will need to decide if the stairway should be repaired or replaced. In the meantime, stop by and enjoy a sunset view from the bench on the top deck.

—Jack Christiansen

### Interested in Helping Your Niguel Shores Community?

#### JOIN THE MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

The Committee serves the community as an advisor in matters related to the upkeep and care of the physical assets of the Association. Contact the Management Office to submit an application at (949) 493-0122 or [msr1@niguelshores.org](mailto:msr1@niguelshores.org).

**Street and Sidewalk Maintenance:** While our streets and sidewalks may appear to be passive and unchanging year-to-year, a number of physical factors result in their horizontal and vertical movement. The most common causes of movement are ground water and vehicular traffic, but other factors include construction, heavily loaded trucks, and tree roots.

Earlier this year, we identified a number of places where adjacent sidewalk sections are displaced vertically. A contractor was engaged to grind down the higher sidewalk sections to eliminate the offsets. In addition, the contractor replaced several sections of damaged sidewalk.

Through the annual inspections and selected maintenance of our streets and sidewalks, these important capital facilities should serve us well into the future.

—Bob Gregg

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

WOW! Since our last notes on Emergency Preparedness in this column, not only did the horrific hurricane after-effects continue, but the disastrous fires in California presented us with an unbelievable loss of life and property along with great personal suffering.

Let's revisit the chances of this type of firestorm happening along the coast here in the Shores. While San Bernardino and Riverside Counties have the highest fire hazard areas in Southern California, that does not place us in a safe zone. Remember in the early 1990s when Laguna Beach was hit with the loss of over 400 homes due to a very rapid fire storm? Can it happen in the Shores? Well, while less likely nowadays due to many homes converting to composite roofing and exterior fire-retardant siding, and re-landscaping using different types of plantings, IT CAN STILL HAPPEN. One bad day of low humidity, high temperatures, high wind conditions and an errant flame that starts from a hot lawnmower, BBQ grill or faulty electrical wiring can easily spread rapidly to adjacent homes.

What preventive measures can you take to minimize these situations? First and foremost, on the exterior of your home, eliminate or reduce vegetation that is dry or near the eaves and wooden areas. Remove firewood, propane tanks, and cooking grills to a more remote location. Never stack paint cans or flammable liquids near the house, and eliminate other combustible items such as newspapers, cardboard, dry brush and cuttings.

Inside the house make sure you have working smoke alarms inside bedrooms, outside sleeping areas, and even in the garage. Have a family plan for evacuation and DON'T ever go back into a burning home to retrieve personal items if

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a fire is in progress. Also, always think of what's most important to you in case you have to evacuate your home: pets, legal papers and records, precious photos, irreplaceable family heirlooms. Create a "Go-Bag" with items you might need if you have to leave fast (for example, some ready cash, a change of clothes, energy food bars and water, medications list, phone charger, a flash drive containing copies of your documents and valuables). Plan ahead where you might find housing for family and pets if disaster strikes. Make arrangements to have your computer files backed-up automatically by one of the cloud servers like Carbonite.com so your information and photos will not be lost. Set up a contact method to communicate with family if home phones are not available (for example, a Facebook page or text message or email group where you can check in with others).

For good advice on emergency preparation, see the websites of the American Red Cross [www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org) or the Department of Homeland Security [www.dhs.gov/how-do-i/prepare-my-family-disaster](http://www.dhs.gov/how-do-i/prepare-my-family-disaster).

Simply take precautions now to BE PREPARED, as you've read all the horror stories of the thousands of Californians that have gone through our recent fire tragedies.

—Kent Wellbrock

## TRAFFIC AND SAFETY

**Citations—Ouch!** — Just a few weeks ago a motorcycle deputy sheriff entered our community to monitor traffic. Within a very brief period of time, he noticed several violations in the vicinity of Mariner Drive and Niguel Shores Road. He subsequently issued four citations for failing to stop at a stop sign. I know we have all seen similar violations, and maybe even were a bit lackadaisical and just passed through the intersection without coming to a full stop. We can all learn from this enforcement action as our driving habits can well jeopardize our safety and also prove to be costly (\$400 plus, or traffic school and costs).

**Uber and Lyft** — Should you summon Uber or Lyft in lieu of a taxi, there is often confusion at the gate. The communication systems at these transportation services are such that they do not allow the drivers complete information and they may not know the name or actual address of the client. If you phone the gate ahead of time and let them know you are expecting this service, the attendant on duty can expedite the driver to your residence. Many other folks have found it easier to simply go to the gate and wait for their transportation there.

**Holiday Season Begins** — During this time of year we may sometimes experience prowlers rummaging through unlocked cars looking to steal anything of value. We can foil

these thieves by not leaving any potential loot in our vehicles and locking them whenever we leave.

**Guests and Passes** — We can minimize any frustration of our arriving guests by ensuring our permanent guest list is current and our temporary guests are properly logged in. The permanent guest list is limited to 5 names. Additional one-day passes for up to 9 guests may be issued if we submit a written or electronic list of names to the Mariner Gate officer. Should a function require 10 or more guests, the matter is considered a "Special Event" and is coordinated through the office. Under these circumstances, a written or electronic list, in alphabetical order by last names, must be submitted at least one business day before the event. Note: Events at a residence involving more than 20 vehicle entries may require special parking instructions.

Residents of the Villas and Sea Terrace II have been provided passes to distribute to their guests for their specific area of the community. Should these guests desire to drive to the main portion of the community, bluffs or community center, their resident host must phone the information to the Mariner Gate at (949) 487-4185.

One last thought: We are always responsible for our guests, and that includes ensuring that their guest passes are clearly displayed on the dash. This could save us the cost of their citations when no pass is visible.

—God Bless . . . Tim Murphy

## RECREATION

It takes a team of volunteers to bring our community together, and our Recreation Committee team rocks! They are the ones who make our NSCA events come together for the community.

A big thank you to Nancy Tinnes for organizing our Community Garage Sale. Once again, we have opened the gates to the public and have more success in selling our treasures to others rather than from neighbor to neighbor.

Another big thank you to Chrissy Rausch and her volunteers for organizing our kids Halloween Party. It is always so much fun to watch all the scary goblins and pretty princesses parading through the park and then enjoying the games, candy and pizza!

Don't miss the upcoming events for November and December:

**Holiday Boutique** — November 18, 12 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Holiday Tree Lighting** — December 3, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

**Holiday Lights Contest Judging** — December 15 (see insert)

**New Year's Eve Party** — December 31, 8:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.

—Maria Elena Banks



# At the Bluff

Neighbors (and furry friends) shared tasty appetizers and good company at the Women's Club Happy Hour last month.



## CLUBS

### WOMEN'S CLUB

On October 12 the Clubhouse was transformed into a Black and Orange Halloween bash! Surrounded by tables decorated with black cloths, pumpkins of all shapes and sizes, chocolate treats, and Halloween cookies, President Lydia Reese dressed as a Mongolian Princess led the many costumed members in a "Monster Mash" parade around the room. After many photo ops she called the meeting to order and introduced our newest member Linda Curie, and mentioned our members who are celebrating October birthdays. She also thanked everyone for adhering to the new policy of bringing a salad if you RSVP after the normal deadline of noon on the Monday preceding the Luncheon. As a final point of business, the amended Bylaws were approved unanimously.

After a delicious buffet of colorful salads, we were treated to a riveting talk by our guest speaker Leonard Szymczak, a local psychotherapist and life coach. Mr. Szymczak discussed the unique shape that each personality takes from the early childhood conditioning of family values and environment. He discussed the dynamics of relationships, how men and women differ in their approaches to life, and how conflict can be an opportunity for growth when each side examines their

own assumptions. Using amusing slides, Szymczak showed the basic needs in a relationship, how to build connections, and the "languages" or expressions of love people use toward one another. His latest book *The Roadmap Home, Your GPS to Inner Peace* was available to purchase.

Our November 9 meeting will call attention to the service and sacrifices that our military veterans have unselfishly provided to our nation. Lydia reminded us to bring a photo or a memento of a veteran to share with our luncheon tablemates in November. Until then . . .

—Nadine Allen

A good time in costume at the October luncheon



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## MEN'S CLUB

The Men's Club meets in the NS Clubhouse on the first and third Tuesdays of each month. Breakfast is served promptly at 8 a.m. followed by an informative talk. Although golf may be a topic, it's not the only topic, nor must you be an active golfer to participate. We welcome new members and encourage new residents to stop by. Applications are available at the Association office. Five teams rotate preparing and serving breakfast.

On October 3, ROSALIND RUSSELL inspired us with the story of her journey from a visit to Nepal in 1988, to a transformational mission through the earthquakes of 2015, to her continuing humanitarian efforts for the Nepalese today. An elegant, informed and dedicated speaker, Ms. Russell observed that in a stratified society, women were chattels at the bottom, loving and loved by the men while doing all the hard work. She achieved a measure of change by empowering women to make Gifts of Goats. Through Gifts of Goats the Nepalese women created wealth for them, enabling the women to create wealth for their men.



Gift of Goats toy made by Nepalese women.

Ms. Russell leads a search for peace in the world through education of women, creating more teachers and building schools. In 2011 she published *Reach to Peace*, furthering her peacemaker efforts. Ms. Russell heads the Laguna-based R-Star Foundation devoted to women helping women, especially in Nepal, where she breaks through bureaucratic obstacles (and corruption) to make a difference for women, resulting in a difference for their society.

On October 17, continuing his superb record of presenting us with outstanding speakers, CW Gruenig introduced CRAIG CLARK, a local professional golfer who started playing the game at age eleven. Craig has successfully completed PGA business schools meeting the Class A PGA requirements and has been a successful golf instructor for the past thirty years throughout San Diego and Orange Counties. He suggests that you strategize your game around the club butt, not the club head or shaft.

Craig subscribes to the Ten Steps to a Perfect Golf Routine:

10. Set the club head down and take dead aim.
9. Set left foot at 90 degrees, 6 inches ahead of the ball.
8. Set right foot parallel to left, shoulder width from the right and behind the ball.
7. Hips back and sit down, simulating backing onto a chair.
6. Place left elbow halfway between left hip and belly button.
5. Place right hip halfway between right hip and belly button.

4. Bring right side over to meet left, placing right hand on top of the club.
3. Cock wrist by levering butt handle down; club head 1/2 inch off the ground.
2. Toss club up—swing is an arc.
1. Keep wrist fully cocked at all times.

Craig smoothly demonstrated graceful execution of the above ten steps in a continuum of motion which, when mastered, can reduce your game by a number of strokes. He had the knuckles facing straight ahead and stressed tracking the butt end of the club, which should arc a path of about 17 inches. He emphasized that you must achieve repeatability of the same motion for a consistent game.

See you at our next breakfast on November 7.

—Robert F. Saint-Aubin

## GARDEN CLUB

On October 16, a beautiful warm clear day, 16 members of our club carpooled to the **Tree of Life Nursery** off of Ortega Highway adjacent to Caspers Wilderness Park. Our president, Gunjan Annand, provided granola bars, string cheese, and water for everyone to enjoy.

The Tree of Life Nursery was started 40 years ago, and the original owner, Mike Evans, gave us the tour. As those who attended can attest, the visit was very informative, especially seeing the many varieties of plants and trees being propagated there.



Touring the Tree of Life Nursery

Instead of writing my own narrative (very poorly I'm sure) about what we learned, I am reproducing gardening information that was distributed on the tour:

*October in the Natural Garden:* Cool nights, pleasant days, and beautiful gardens in the forecast.

*Seasonal Care:* The fall equinox (equi=same, nox=night) is several days behind us, and that means that the earth's



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axis just tilted in our favor. The pattern for California's wet season is clearly in view now (we hope) and this means that all our activities, including new plantings, will soon be blessed by rain. Remember all those tasks we conveniently postponed during the summer months? Now we can do them! Jobs such as pruning, weeding, mulching, feeding, and troubleshooting varmints, pests and diseases—they are all waiting for us. So go outside and play in the garden.

At the conclusion of the tour many members drove to the Sea and Sage Restaurant in the harbor to lunch on fresh seaweed and those sorts of ocean garden delicacies.

Our November club meeting on Monday, November 20, will again be our **Garden Therapy Forget-Me-Not Project** where we assemble holiday gift bags to be distributed to local homebound seniors.

—Karl Kuhn

# ACTIVITIES

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## LIBRARY

The Dana Point Library offers the following November activities FREE of charge. No registration is needed except for ESL and Computer Skills classes. Activities are held in the Community Room unless otherwise noted. Walk-ins welcome.

## CHILDREN

**Read to a Dog** – Wednesday, November 1 and Tuesday, November 21, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. For beginning readers. Special therapy dogs love listening to stories. Held in the children's area.

**Toddler Storytime** – Tuesdays in November, 10:30 am. Stories, activities and songs for children under 3 years old and their favorite adults to enjoy together. Stay and play with puzzles and toys after storytime.

**Preschool Storytime** – Wednesdays in November, 10:30 am. Stories, activities, and fun for children, ages 3 to 5. Stay and play with puzzles and crafts after storytime.

**Lego Club** – Wednesday, November 8, 3:00 pm. Design, build, and create. Lego bricks provided. All ages welcome!

**Fur, Feathers and Fun** – Saturday, November 18, 2:00 to 3:00 pm. A hands-on program exploring different animal body coverings and their purpose. View (and touch!) some fun and interesting animals. Fur to feathers. Scales to spines. A program for the whole family, generously sponsored by the Friends of the Library.

**PJ Storytime** – Monday, November 27, 5:30 p.m. The whole family is welcome to join us for an evening of stories. Wearing pajamas is encouraged. A cookie and water will be served. Provided by the NCL Laguna Sunshine Readers.

## ADULTS

**Friends of the Library Annual Holiday Book Sale** – Saturday, November 4 and Sunday November 5, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Books, cards, puzzles and more available for sale in the library's community room.

**ESL English Class** – Each Monday and Friday in November, 11:00 am and 1:00 pm. Learn to read, write and speak English. \*\*Register at [esl.danapt@gmail.com](mailto:esl.danapt@gmail.com).

**Coloring Club** – Fridays in November, 10:00 a.m. to Noon. Bring out your inner artist while surrounded by books and good company. All materials provided. Held at the adult tables.

**Learn Basic Computer Skills** – Tuesdays, November 7, 14, and 21, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Learn basic computer skills with a free, three-part, hands-on class. The classes cover computer vocabulary, using a mouse, Email, and internet searching. \*\*Registration is required. Call (949) 496-5517 or visit the library to register.

**Write On Writing Group** – Tuesdays, November 7 and 21, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. If you have ever thought of writing a piece of fiction or non-fiction, we invite you to share your work and improve your craft through Write On, a friendly group who read and critique each other's work.

**Gentle Readers Book Club** – Thursday, November 9, 10:30 a.m. to Noon. For those interested in books without graphic content. Copies of the current selection, *The Innkeeper of Ivy Hill*, are available at the service desk.

**Travel Club** – Sunday, November 19, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Do you love travel, learning new things, exploring interesting places and meeting fellow adventurers? Join the Travel Club as we continue our voyage to exotic destinations. This month Rick Steeves takes us to Wales via DVD.

**Foreign Film** – Sunday, November 26, 3:00 p.m. This month's selection is *Moka*, a 2016 French release. Diane Kramer travels to Evian in search of a mocha-colored Mercedes that she believes killed her son in a hit-and-run accident. See what happens when she finds the car's owner.

**Seaside Book Club** – Monday November 27, 10:30 a.m. to Noon. Copies of current book, *The Nightingale* by Kirsten Hannah, are available at the service desk.

—Karla Sanders



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### *Friends of the Dana Point Library Holiday Sale*

November 4 and 5, 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.



Come find pristine books, puzzles, games,  
and toys for gift giving.

Held in the library community room.  
This is a very popular event, so plan to come early.

## PAGE TURNERS

For the month of November, the Monday and Thursday afternoon groups will be reading and discussing *The Wright Brothers* by David McCullough, two-time winner of the Pulitzer Prize—the dramatic story-behind-the-story about the courageous brothers Wilbur and Orville Wright.

In this “enjoyable, fast-paced tale,” master historian David McCullough “shows as never before how two Ohio boys from a remarkable family taught the world to fly” and “captures the marvel of what the Wrights accomplished.” Essential reading, this is “a story of timeless importance, told with uncommon empathy and fluency . . . about what might be the most astonishing feat mankind has ever accomplished.

Meeting dates are Monday, November 27 and Thursday, November 30. For information about the Monday afternoon group contact Frances at [fozimec@cox.net](mailto:fozimec@cox.net). For the Thursday afternoon group contact Lisa at [lisabuchner@cox.net](mailto:lisabuchner@cox.net).

—Frances Ozimec

## SPORTS

### WOMEN'S GOLF

The Niguel Shores lady golfers held an outing the first week of October at The Ranch 9-hole course in Laguna. Five golfers enjoyed a gorgeous day!

President Marlene Lynch, Judy Boitano, Terri Matrisch, Catriona Sigsby and Irene McDonald played the round. Prizes went to Catriona and Judy for closest to the pin on holes 6 and 8; Catriona for longest drive on hole 9; Terri for lowest number of putts with 15; and Judy for low gross with a score of 39.

Following golf, the ladies enjoyed lunch at the restaurant along the first fairway and were joined by social members Ruthie Stahl, Ceacy Johns, and Chris Beaver. The group was reminded that Joanie Beyer and Ruthie will again host the Christmas luncheon at The Fountains in December —more information to come!

## THE REALLY SERIOUS BOOK CLUB ADVENTURES OF THE MIND!

Each month “The Really Serious Book Club” meets to exchange views on books covering a wide variety of subjects. The book for last month was Thomas Friedman’s *Thank You for Being Late*. In November, it’s *Dark Money* by Janet Mayer about the Koch brothers machinations. Since we do not meet in December, the book for the January meeting will be *Who Lost Russia?—How the World Entered a New Cold War* by Peter Conradi.

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:30 in the homes of members. If you would like to join us, email Norton Schwartz at [nortlynn@cox.net](mailto:nortlynn@cox.net).

—Norton Schwartz

## BRIDGE CLUB

Entering into the fall season, the Bridge Club has been playing 3 or 4 tables every Wednesday at 11:00 A.M. Recently we’ve added a few new players and we’re open to receiving as many more as would like to play. We only request that you have a working knowledge of the basics of the game. If you’re interested in joining the group, please contact Mary Ann at (949) 489-9999.

Our latest winners:

- 9/20 Margaret Brugger, Lee Farrell, Frieda Baskin
- 9/27 Mary Ann Theisen, Jane Olson, George Hartmann
- 10/4 Frieda Baskin, Helen Campbell, Trudy Buck
- 10/11 Frieda Baskin, Chet Baskin, Mary Ann Theisen
- 10/18 Lee Farrell, Frieda Baskin, Sandy Youdbulis

—Jim Pinola

Irene McDonald organized the golf day and will do so again for the next outing November 13.

Thanks to all the ladies who support the group such as Lee Sweeney who keeps the budget, Chris Beaver who is our social secretary, and Brenda Tuckley who takes the minutes of meetings (however, this month she is enjoying herself on a trip to England so special thanks to Marlene for stepping in).

Hope to see all lady golfers at The Ranch on November 13 at 9 a.m. All are welcome!

—Julie Patton

A little humor until our next golf outing:

An 80-year-old woman went before the judge because she stole a can of peaches. The judge asked, “How many peaches were in the can?” She said, “There were six.” The judge said “Then I sentence you to six days in jail.” Suddenly the husband sitting in the back row put up his hand. He said, “Judge she also stole a can of PEAS.”

## MEN'S GOLF

On October 17 we played our monthly tournament at Talega Golf Club in San Clemente. We had 10 teams of 2 players ready to do battle. The format was match play with 2 players to a team. We scored one point for each hole won by a team. The player with the lowest net score won the point for the team. They were competing with the other 2 players in the foursome group. If by now you are totally confused, you should have seen how difficult it was to explain to the players. We had never used this format before and it made for great competition.

In November we will be playing Talega on Nov 7, Tijeras Creek on Nov 14, San Juan Hills on Nov 21 and Arroyo Trabuco on Nov 28.

Here are the winners from the tournament:

**GROUP 1 Winner:** Team #2 Rick Palmer & Gary Benike

**GROUP 2 Winner:** Team #3 Morry Dohner & Bill Verbrugge

**GROUP 3 Winner:** Team #6 Don Duffer & John Chis

**GROUP 4 Winner:** Team #7 Mac Brown & Larry Wellikson

**GROUP 5 Winner:** Team #9 Kent Wellbrock & John Torok

—Bob Russell

### The Language of Golf

Phil Beale, a member at Gudge Heath Golf Club, has a 60 foot breaking putt and makes a bet stating that he has a dollar that says, 'I can make this putt.'

Everyone takes him up on the bet. Phil duly misses the putt by 5 feet and says, 'You all owe me a dollar.'

Of course, his golf friends all think he is crazy until Phil produces a dollar upon which he wrote, 'I can make this putt.'

## GM REPORT CONT.

at all stop signs and do not allow anyone without a valid driver's license to operate a motor vehicle or golf cart.

With Thanksgiving approaching, I want to offer my **"THANK YOU"** by sending everyone a quick note to say:



- 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 and helping all members of the Association.
- Thank you Matt Northrop for all the help you provide to members of this Association, co-workers and committees.
- 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 getting the wonderful flag pole installed in time for Veteran's Day.

■ 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 on the installation of the coach lights throughout the Garden home communities.

■ Thank you Ray Russomanno for your hard work and dedication to the community and doing it with such a positive attitude.

■ Thank you Chris Hawkins for helping complete the Sea Terrace II/Villas stairs and making sure they are safe for all to use.

■ Thank you all for making Niguel Shores a great place to live and work.

**Words to remember as we celebrate this Thanksgiving holiday with family and friends:**

*"We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives."* --John F. Kennedy

*Happy Veterans Day and a wonderful Thanksgiving from the Niguel Shores Staff!*

—Marla Miller

# MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

## Helen and Joe Bevacqua

In honor of Veterans Day, we are pleased to feature a Niguel Shores family with a strong military connection. However, before we speak of their military service, we want to tell you a little about this amazing family and how they came to reside in Niguel Shores.

Joe and Helen Bevacqua have resided in Niguel Shores since 2009. Prior to moving here, they lived in El Morro Village in Laguna Beach. They were part of the group of 300 families who had to leave El Moro when the state of California took it over and converted the mobile home village into what is now Crystal Cove State Park and Historic District. They spent ten years in El Moro, raising their fam-

mom's footsteps and is working as a school administrator for Garden Grove School District. After Jason was born 46 years ago, Joe and Helen decided to enlarge their family and adopted their son Jonas, whose family was from Vietnam. Jason and Jonas were fairly close in age and got along beautifully, so Joe and Helen decided to add Josh to their growing family. Next came their first daughter, Erin, "the cheerleader" as Joe describes her. Then they adopted siblings Joel and Rosie, and finally, Jonathan and Claire. The children are from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds: Vietnamese, Jamaican-Spanish, Filipino, African-American and Caucasian. Raised by Joe and Helen from childhood, they range in age from 30 to 46 today.



The Bevacqua children growing up and the Bevacqua family today

ily in what they called "truly paradise"—an incredible life experience for all of them.

Joe is originally from New Jersey and Helen was born and raised in the Los Angeles area. They met in Long Beach, eventually married and decided to begin their lives together here in southern California. Joe and Helen both graduated from Cal State Long Beach and Joe went on to earn his MBA at Pepperdine University. A CPA for 40 plus years, Joe is now semi-retired. Helen earned her teaching credential and has taught at private schools in Long Beach, Newport Beach and eventually retired from St. Edward's Catholic School right here in Dana Point. She is still actively involved in the teaching profession, presently tutoring and volunteering in her grandchildren's school.

Married for 47 years, Joe and Helen have raised 8 children. Their one biological son, Jason, followed in his

Their first adopted son, Jonas, established a very successful clothing company here in California and when the Bevacqua family needed to relocate from their El Morro Village home, Jonas searched Orange County in an attempt to find "another slice of heaven" for his parents. He did just that when he found and purchased their home on Atlantic Avenue here in the Shores. Jonas' business was doing well and he wanted to repay his parents for all they had done for him and his siblings. Sadly, Jonas died suddenly 6 years ago. Needless to say, this was a heartbreaking loss for everyone. In time, however, Helen and Joe's family has continued to grow and they are now blessed with seven grandchildren, some living as close as Irvine and others as far away as Washington, D.C.

The Bevacqua tradition of military service began with Joe's dad, Samuel, who served in the United States



## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Army, Infantry Division. Although Joe was in college when the Vietnam War broke out, upon graduation he enlisted in the Army National Guard and was sent to infantry training at Fort Ord in Northern California. Subsequently, he was assigned six months of active duty at Fort Dix in New Jersey, back to his “Jersey Joe” roots. After completing six months active duty he spent the remainder of his six years in the reserves as a National Guardsman.

The military influence must have had an impact on Helen and Joe’s oldest daughter, who is following in her father and grandfather’s footsteps, serving our country as Captain Erin Bevacqua of the United States Marine Corps. She is currently assigned to the Pentagon in Washington, DC.

Erin was an outstanding soccer player in high school and earned a scholarship to the University of Arizona. After that, she received a Master’s Degree in Nonprofit Management and an Executive Leadership Graduate Certificate from Regis University in Colorado in 2010. In 2011, through the Officer



Erin, Helen, and Joe

Candidates Course at the Marines Officer Candidates School, she was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant. In 2015 Erin was assigned to the Inspector General of the Marine Corps at the Naval Support Facility in Arlington, Virginia. She was then tapped to become the Aide-de-Camp to Deputy Commanding General-Baghdad, and deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and Erbil for a year.

In 2017 Erin redeployed and returned to the Inspector General of the Marine Corps, where she took up her current duties. She has received numerous personal decorations including

the Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.

Erin is married and has one adopted son . . . and, thus, the Bevacqua story lives on in the way Erin has most generously opened her home and heart, as Helen and Joe did many years ago!

Congratulations to the Bevacqua family for instilling ideals of service and generosity in their family!

—Michelle Ralph and Patti Staudenbaur

## THANK YOU TO OUR VETERANS continued from page 1

NAME	U.S. SERVICE BRANCH	YEARS	DUTY/STATION/HONORS
Dick Sargent	Army	1953-55	German Occupation Medal
Harold (Hal) Schaffer	Navy Air	1962-68	AntiSubmarine Squadron VP772, Air Crew Electronic Countermeasures, Petty Officer
Gorge Schramm	Army	1963-65	Ft Jackson
Walter Stout	Army	1954-62	Ft Ord Presidio SF
Sean Tierney	Navy	1960s	PTF Driver Vietnam
Gary Tinnes	Army	1967-69	219th MP Thailand
Tim Tyson	Army	1967-69	MP Investigator Korea
Ed Ungerman	Air Force	1950-54	Korea
Boyd Van Ness	Army	1957-59	New Jersey
Chris Zoch	Air Force	1984-88	MP Philippines
<b>NOT FORGOTTEN, OUR HEROES REMAIN IN MEMORY:</b>			
Douglas Jerry Allen	Air Force	1961-81	B52 Airborne Command, MX Missles, Nuclear Defense
John Flynn	Army	WWII	Patton’s Army
Bill Murphy	Army	1955-57	Korea

## Abundance and Gratitude

Webster's dictionary tells us the word **abundance** means *plentifulness of the good things of life; prosperity; the state or condition of having a copious quantity of something*. The word **gratitude** is defined as *the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation*. But let's take a look at the words **abundance** and **gratitude** in a different way. Let's make them definitions of *feeling* rather than *having*. For instance, abundance is . . . sunlight playing hide and seek with the clouds, or the moon radiating across the dark black ocean, or a bowl of freshly popped popcorn.

In her book *The Art of Abundance*, Candy Paull refers to the art of abundance as "the act of developing awareness." By becoming aware, we learn to value the tastes, textures, scents, sounds and sights of our lives as they present themselves to us moment by moment. By choosing to be aware of the gifts life can bring, we become lovers instead of critics, believers instead of doubters, and childlike optimists instead of world-weary cynics (and who wants to spend life as a cynic!). By learning to uncover the treasures in our own lives we can discover the joy of celebrating and creating abundance in the here and now. It's quite rewarding to live with such an attitude of gratitude, and to spread it around. I've always enjoyed Charles Dickens' words on this: "I feel an earnest and humble desire, and shall do so till I die, to increase the stock of harmless cheerfulness."

As November brings us the fruits of the harvest and the year begins to draw to a close, we traditionally take time to sit back, reflect, and give thanks for all the good around us. Our celebration of Thanksgiving Day is not about religion,

not about politics, not about ethnicity. It's about recognizing, in any given moment, what to be grateful for and saying "thank you." I believe that a cheerful heart is a grateful heart, and, along that line, someone wise once told me it's difficult to be completely happy unless you learn to laugh at yourself. G. K. Chesterton said, "The reason angels can fly is they take themselves lightly." Another favorite quote of mine is from

Abraham Lincoln: "Most folks are about as happy as they make up their minds to be." And just one more quote from Benjamin Franklin: "A man wrapped up in himself makes a small bundle."

So, on the advice of these sage men, don't take yourself and life too seriously. Look around, recognize and enjoy all that you have.

For the past several years, I have discussed the topic of abundance and gratitude with numerous people, young and old. Conversations have been awesome. Below are some examples of what was shared with me. Perhaps as you read over these you might come up with some thoughts of your own. If you would like to share your thoughts of **abundance** just complete the sentence, "Abundance is . . ." It will make great conversation around the Thanksgiving table.

*Abundance is . . . not how much I own but how much I appreciate . . . celebrating life right now . . . falling asleep at night with a smile . . . the look of wonder in a two-year-old child's eyes . . . the salty smell of an ocean breeze . . . a card from a friend . . . a big catch at the end of your line . . . living in Niguel Shores . . . your dog waiting for you . . . a fluffy clean bath towel . . . the aroma of turkey and stuffing hot from the oven on Thanksgiving Day.*

**Now it's your turn:** *Abundance is . . .*

Happy Thanksgiving! —Yollie Mancino



Marine Sgt. Major James Harkins, our annual Independence Day leader, presides at Heroes Night Out, a benefit for needy military families.



## CUISINE CORNER

Years ago, after hosting a series of German exchange students, my wife and I took our first trip to Germany. We were guests of one of our student's parents and toured the entire country, experiencing dozens of "nice" to "superior" quality restaurants and tasting a wide variety of German foods. Today I still remember the warmth of our hosts, the outstanding wine from the Mosel Valley—but nothing about the food. It seemed bland. Since then we have traveled to Germany about eight times, mainly to attend weddings and enjoy the festivities associated with the Christmas Markets. Again I recall the signature Lebkuchen cookies (made differently in each city), the Mosel Valley Riesling, but no special food from a restaurant.

Here at home we have dined at a half-dozen or so German-type restaurants and in each instance the food was so-so, the noise level high, but, because of the people we were with, we enjoyed the evening. However, about seven years ago our thinking about German food changed when we visited Café Mozart in San Juan Capistrano and were taken by the elegant, warm atmosphere and appealing menu.

Soft music is piped across the gracious room, and on occasion a centralized piano provides calming melodies. The chef, Hans Loschl, was trained in Vienna and has worked throughout Europe, Canada and the United States. Locally he functioned as the executive chef at The Cellar in Fullerton, La Biarritz in Newport Beach and the Westin Hotel in South Coast Plaza.

With its entrance facing a charming brick courtyard, Café Mozart describes itself as specializing in German, Austrian and Swiss Food. However, a quick glance at the menu reflects a cosmopolitan approach to its fare. The specialty soup is a rich

French Onion. My wife says that the Potato Leek soup is better than other similar soups she has tried. I prefer the Goulash, which is very spicy and tasty.

The appetizers cover a broad range of tastes. We usually split a Bavarian Bread Dumpling (something I have never seen anywhere else) covered in a great mushroom sauce.

For entrees, I normally pick from one of the house specialties that come with red cabbage and homemade Swabian spätzle (noodles). On our last visit, I ordered the Beef Stroganoff, which proved tender and flavorful, but the Jaeger Schnitzel, a pounded pork tenderloin covered in an earthy mushroom sauce, is my favorite. My wife normally will order Sauerbraten. She feels the beef is marinated in just the right spices and is the best she's tried. Other entrees, not necessarily German, range from Canadian Sterling Salmon to Beef Wellington with a wide variety between.

This restaurant has an extensive wine list. Although I am not much of a wine drinker, I do feel that Riesling from the Mosel Valley is especially good, so I asked our server about it. He had no clue, but was going to check. Well, he never got back to us on that, but I suspect this was an anomaly as the rest of the service was quite good.

Make your holiday plans now. In the old countries Christmas is a very festive time. In keeping with that, Café Mozart is open on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. For German-style food this restaurant is by far the best, and for an overall fine dining experience Café Mozart is certainly worth a try. Café Mozart, 31952 Camino Capistrano, San Juan Capistrano.

—Tim Murphy

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If you missed the Annual Garage Sale, or even the Halloween Parade and Party, maybe you forgot to check [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org) for the details??? All is not lost, however, because, as usual, there is still plenty happening here in Niguel Shores and a quick and easy way to stay up to speed is by checking out our website.

During the month of November, the Recreation Committee will be hosting a wonderful craft boutique in our Clubhouse. The date is set for Saturday, November 18, and the information is available on the website.

Our Dana Point Library, directly across the street, also features a link on our website where you can go to find up to date information on all the wonderful programs available for both children, tweens, teens and adults. Did you notice

that the library is now hosting a travel club on Sundays? Check out the link on our website and the Library's calendar for dates and topics.

As always, the website is also the place to find the monthly community calendar, club and committee meeting information, updated resident and guest parking rules, CC&Rs, Association forms, and even log in a guest at the gate. If you have misplaced the latest issue of the Seashore News, you can also find the complete edition posted online, plus links to past issues dating back to 2005. A great resource! I encourage you to take a few minutes to view our website at [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org) and find out what we are all about.

—Patti Staudenbaur



## Wellness... Sleep Deep

By now Halloween with all its ghouls and goblins is behind us. The Trick or Treaters will still be buzzing on their sugar high, and their parents will be sneaking Snickers Bars while trying to manage what's left of their kids' Halloween haul. Either way, it's fun for kids and exhilarating, yet exhausting, for parents. It's from this vantage point of pure joy and total energy deprivation that we turn to embrace the Holiday Season! The days get shorter, but the To Do List gets longer. When energy needs are at their highest but energy reserves begin to tumble, what's a holiday reveler to do? Perhaps a Holiday Training Course that highlights running in heels, vying for a parking spot, cooking for hundreds, hand crafting all your gifts and cards, being in two places at once, and more would've given us that needed edge!

Before we run the other direction from this unsettling depiction, there are a few strategies we can employ to make the holiday season less taxing on our health. There's a reason so many of us get sick this time of the year. We're run down, sleep deprived, poorly fueled, and dehydrated. We're also kissing, hugging, and shaking hands with more people than usual, and catching colds and flu that spread like the wind—thus making hand washing and a solid night of restorative sleep critical to staying healthy.



Research shows that many diseases are linked to, among other factors, sleep deprivation. So, if your response to your busy holiday schedule is "I can sleep when I'm dead,"

you may want to think again. Ongoing sleep deficiency is linked to an increased risk of heart disease, kidney disease, high blood pressure, diabetes, and stroke.

It sounds simple to say, "Get the recommended eight hours of sleep," but for many people it isn't. So, what can you do? Here are a few ideas. If sleep escapes you on a regular basis, it's best not to lie in bed awake, but rather go to another low-lit room and read, returning to bed when you get sleepy. Meditation, while you're lying there, also works well to calm our active minds and bring on sleep. Another good habit is 30 minutes prior to going to bed, avoid all screens because their blue light reduces melatonin secretion necessary for sleep. And, if you drink alcohol, do it before 7:00 in the evening since alcohol prevents us from getting that deep sleep we need to restore our bodies. Similarly, avoiding caffeine late in the day is also a good practice. And, if you have teenagers in your home, let them sleep in on the weekends. They need it. That's their rhythm at that age. Studies even advise that school should start later in the morning for teens! Taking a hot bath or shower before bed can help relax and ready us for sleep. These are just a few ideas that we can use all year round, but they are especially important during the rush of the holidays.

So, stow that Halloween candy and look forward to the season ahead. Plan to rest, drink plenty of water, exercise, eat healthy, and enjoy the rich relationships in your life and all the beauty that surrounds us! Thanksgiving is upon us, and a wonderful time to do just that!

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## Renew That Passport Now

**T**ravel alert: If your passport is set to expire in the next few months, you might want to send in those applications sooner rather than later—and November is a good time because passport processing is shortest at this time of the year. According to the U.S. State Department, demand for passports usually increases once the new year hits, and the surge continues into the summer. To get your passport back quickly, it's best to get a head start now before the rush.

Processing times aside, there's another reason to make sure your passport is valid and up-to-date: For domestic travel beginning January 22, 2018, air travelers with a state driver's license or ID card that doesn't comply with mandates of the Real ID Act of 2005 *must* present another form of identification acceptable to the TSA in order to fly within the country. At present, California is not in compliance. The state has filed for an extension with the Department of Homeland Security, but has not yet been given an OK. To be on the safe side you should bring your driver's license *and* passport as identification when traveling by air domestically.

For international travel, be sure your passport is valid at least 6 months beyond your travel dates. Here's why: Your passport may be fine going through airport security, but when at the actual boarding gate for an international flight, you usually have to present your passport again. That's when you may not be allowed onto the flight you've already paid for if the passport isn't considered "valid" in your destination country. (*Editor's note: Think of it as a traveler's Catch 22.*) In places like France, Spain, and Germany, your passport needs to be valid for at least another 90 days after you enter the country, even if you don't plan on staying that long. Some countries have time limits all the way up to 6 months after your arrival

because, in case of an unexpected situation where you need to stay in the country longer than originally planned, you will need a valid passport to leave the country, but you can only get it renewed back at home. (*Catch 23.*) The issue gets more complicated if airlines let you board your departure flight without a "valid" passport in the destination country. In this case, you'll get turned away at the international gates when you try to come home. (*Oh no! Catch 24.*)

This "valid" passport rule even applies in simple layover situations. For example, say you're on your way to Japan, but have a stopover in Germany. You won't be able to get to Japan because Germany will send you home unless your passport is good for 90 days. (*Catch 25!*)

The U.S. Department of State recommends that you renew your passport at least 9 months before its printed expiration date to avoid issues like these. They have a resource on their website that lets you check your destination country's travel requirements. See <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/country.html>. You can also try TravelDoc.com, a site that airlines use to double check passengers' information, to be sure your documents are in order before you take off.

To obtain a new U.S. passport, you'll need to appear in person at an authorized processing center, but renewals can be done by mail using Form DS-82 before your original passport expires. Download the renewal form at <https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports/renew.html>.

—Information compiled from articles at <http://www.msn.com/en-us/travel/tips/this-is-why-you-need-to-renew-your-passport-immediately> and <https://www.rd.com/advice/travel/passport-expiration>

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Put your ideas, experience, and volunteer spirit to work right here in our own Niguel Shores community:

- **Maintenance Committee** is looking for members to assist with overseeing our Niguel Shores physical assets. Contact the Management Office to submit an application at (949) 493-0122 or [msr1@niguelshores.org](mailto:msr1@niguelshores.org).
- **Communications Committee** has an opening for a high school or college student who can submit information on events and news of interest to teens and young adults. A great way to serve the community and earn recommendations for your resume or college application. Contact [seashorenews@hotmail.com](mailto:seashorenews@hotmail.com).
- **Shores Angels** seeks volunteers to help if a neighbor needs assistance with small activities or chores. Contact [www.shoresangels.com](http://www.shoresangels.com).



## LOOKING FOR SPORTS AND FITNESS OPPORTUNITIES?

Check these out:

- About the **assistance lift chair** at the swimming pool, one of our Shores neighbors, Tom O'Keefe, sends word that he is benefitting from using this. He wonders if there are other residents who could take advantage of the assistance lift to get some needed exercise in the water. If so, Tom invites you to call him at (949) 493-7463 for particulars on accessing and using the apparatus. NSCA adds a reminder that the lift is only to be used by those needing assistance in and out of the pool.
- **Fitness Class** with instructor Leslie offers gentle exercise and fitness activities on MWF 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. in the Clubhouse.
- **Dippy Dolphins** with instructor Cynthia offers Water Aerobics MWF 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. at the pool.
- Resident Fred Pardes is hoping to organize a club of **tennis players** of all ages and skill levels with activities such as singles and doubles ladders, men's, ladies, and mixed doubles matches. His message on [nextdoor.com](http://nextdoor.com) indicates you can call him at (949) 293-4506 or send an email to [fred@fredpardes.com](mailto:fred@fredpardes.com).





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**November 1 - 26**  
**Huntington Beach Library Theater**  
 7111 Talbert Avenue Huntington Beach  
 The hit New York comedy is coming to  
 Huntington Beach. You are encouraged to experience an  
 evening of hilarious family dysfunction!  
 Show times: Wed. 7:30 p.m., Thurs. 2:00 and 7:30 p.m.,  
 Fri. 8:00 p.m., Sat. 2:00 and 8:00 p.m., Sundays 2:00 p.m.  
 Ticket Information call 1-855- 448-7469

### Camino Real Playhouse

31776 El Camino Real  
 San Juan Capistrano, CA  
 Box Office 949-489- 8082



**November 1 - 5**

**Take Holmes for the Holidays** – This has a setup that is  
 pure Agatha Christie, played as farce. Guests gathered at  
 the manor are treated to a séance, mayhem and murder.  
 The danger and hilarity are non-stop in this glittering  
 whodunit. A quirky and thrilling alternative to your  
 standard holiday entertainment. All stage tickets \$20.00

**November 24 - December 17**

**It's A Wonderful Life** The heartwarming story of an  
 average guy from a small town whose dreams of escape  
 and adventure have been squashed by family obligations  
 and civic duty. His guardian angel descends on Christmas  
 Eve to save him from despair by showing him what the  
 world would have been like had he never been born – that  
 he has had, after all, a wonderful life.  
 Most tickets: \$27.00 Cabaret Tables: \$37.00



### VFW Veterans Day Program

**November 10 • 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

Veterans Day Memorial -  
 Located on Selva Rd. at Strands Beach, just off PCH  
 Post 9934 and the City of Dana Point will present the  
 program which will include plaques listing the names of  
 persons who have died during the past year or who were  
 members of VFW Post 9934 or members of families of  
 Dana Point.



### The Coast Vintage Market @ Saddleback College

**November 12 • 8:00 a.m.**

Farmer's Market with over 180 vendors. Enjoy live music,  
 food and Classic Artisans.  
 Free Admission and Free Parking.

### Surfing Santa Competition

**Saturday November 18 and Sunday, November 19**  
**Salt Creek Beach – 33333 Pacific Coast Hwy. Dana Point,**  
 The Ritz-Carlton presents its annual Surfing  
 Santa Competition. Dress like Santa or  
 other holiday inspired character which  
 will honor the resort's Community  
 Footprints Commitment to support  
 worthy causes. This seasonal event  
 supports Surfers Healing, the original surf camp for  
 children with autism. Registration opens at 7:30 a.m. and  
 the first heat will begin at 8:00 a.m. Parking available at  
 Salt Creek parking lot. For information call 949-240-5088  
 or send an email to [keanne.french@ritzcarlton.com](mailto:keanne.french@ritzcarlton.com)



### A Walk through History

**November 18 • 9:00 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Nature Interpretive Center - 34558 Scenic Drive Dana Point**  
 This walk focuses on local Dana Point History.  
 It introduces participants to several main historical  
 periods. Learn about the "Woodruff" Era of the 1920's and  
 30's, the surfing heritage, and the harbor construction.  
 Walk is approximately 1.5 to 2 hours long, covering about  
 1/5 miles. RSVP to [DPNaturalResources@danapoint.org](mailto:DPNaturalResources@danapoint.org) or  
 call 949-248- 3527.

### WINTER FANTASY



**Five weekends: November 18**  
**through December 17**

### LAGUNA BEACH

**10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Visit a winter wonderland where 175 artists create, display  
 and sell original creations. The Winter Fantasy offers the  
 most unique holiday shopping in all of Southern  
 California. Experience live holiday entertainment, outdoor  
 cafes, art classes, demonstrations, and petting zoo.  
 Ticket prices range from Children 6-12 years: \$4.00,  
 Seniors 65+: \$6.00, Adults: \$8.00 or Season Pass: \$12.00



**November 23**

Celebrating 40 years, the  
 Dana Point Turkey Trot is the premier trot in Southern  
 California and is the perfect place to bring your family to  
 run the race. This is a USA Track & Field (USATF)  
 sanctioned and certified event. It has become an Orange  
 County tradition, attracting over 17,000 participants in its  
 5K, 10K, Kids' Gobble Wobble and two-day health and  
 fitness expo. For information [turkeytrot.com](http://turkeytrot.com).



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