

# Seashore News



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## A WRINKLE IN DANA POINT TIME



A front page article in the *Laguna Niguel News-Post* dated Wednesday, November 3, 1971, announced a new community off Niguel Road and Stonehill Drive with “Plans Designed for People.” Avco Community Development Vice-President Richard Weiser spoke of designs that “employ the best planning concepts for now and in the future.”

Today, more than 40 years later, our Niguel Shores residents are enjoying the far-sightedness of those plans as we walk through our open spaces, visit our community

pool and playground, gather in our clubhouse, enjoy a game of tennis, or gaze out at the Pacific from our bluff-top park.

In this issue, the *Seashore News* invites you back to yesterday when we were a budding new community on what was called “the coastal strip.”

It’s 1970. Take a minute to imagine yourself on our hilly slopes amid dusty open lots and construction trailers. Make your way down the dirt path from the bluff in its natural state to Strands Beach, where there’s hardly a soul on the sand and hang gliders are soaring off the barren cliffs above Salt Creek. There’s no Ritz Carlton. No mansions along the beach front. Not yet. In the planning stage is a “Sea Terrace Recreation Center” with a park, swimming pool, and community building, but it won’t be ready for a year or more. At a temporary sales office, potential homebuyers are picking up brochures for a place called Niguel Shores in the city of Laguna Niguel.

*What? Wait! Laguna Niguel?*

Don’t worry. An explanation is coming. But for now, read on and enjoy a **WRINKLE** in Dana Point Time with some great stories from our earliest residents about how it used to be.

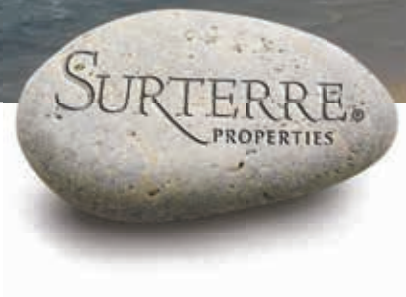
## IN THE BEGINNING . . .

First, we acknowledge some of our current residents whose names appear in the earliest Niguel Shores Directories. Some of the first homeowners or their families still residing here are Bloomberg, Boitano, Conaway, Converse, Daly, Erkeneff, Edison, Gravely, Hall, Mackenzie, McKeehan, Mullen, Mullinix, Pace, Pasek, Ozimec, and Sall. They probably remember when the 1972 Mariner Entrance was just a simple paved drive through the area that now holds a well-landscaped median and new gatehouse. (Continued on page 8)



# SUMMER COMES EARLY TO NIGUEL SHORES

	YEAR-TO-DATE	SAME PERIOD 2017	TRENDING
Homes Currently For Sale	11	N/A	
Homes Sold Year-to-Date	7	4	↑
Median Price Per Square Foot	\$930	\$801	↑
Median Price	\$1,350,000	\$1,625,000	↓
Average Days on Market	56	26	↑



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## FROM THE HELM

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**Fake News** – Don't be fooled by brochures or magazines being delivered that might reference the Niguel Shores name without actually coming from our Association. I recently received an advertising magazine entitled *The Shores Life* in the mail and I know this is not something the Association is endorsing. Niguel Shores has its own newsletter, *The Seashore News*, which is overseen by our Communication Committee and put together by our Niguel Shores volunteers and your neighbors. These committee members spend countless hours working to make sure that this is a great publication with accurate information included. Also, the advertisements in *The Seashore News* help pay to allow our issues to come to you each month. Don't be misled by publications that look like they represent our Association but actually are commercial products that have no connection to Niguel Shores Community Association.

**Dog Off Leash** – Niguel Shores is a dog friendly community, but we do not have any dog parks or areas where a dog can be off leash unless it is on your own private fenced yard.

Many people feel that their dog is friendly and therefore does not need to be on a leash, but that is simply not true. Niguel Shores has rules that require dogs be on a leash while out in any of our common areas. This means a dog must be on a leash whenever it is outside of your fenced yard in Niguel Shores. These rules are in place for the safety of our residents and guests as well as your dog.

## GM REPORT

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Let me start by saying: **Happy Mother's Day to all you beautiful Mothers from the NSCA staff!**

**A NOTE ABOUT OUTSIDE PUBLICATIONS USING THE NIGUEL SHORES NAME:** The only officially recognized publications from Niguel Shores Community Association are *The Seashore News* and the website [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org). Any advertising magazines, mailers or brochures you may receive from outside sources referencing Niguel Shores are not endorsed by your Association, and the information they contain may not be accurate or reflect our community standards.

**AUDIT MAILING:** As required by the Governing Documents and Civil Code, the annual audit was mailed the latter part of April. VanDerPol and Company, an independent CPA firm, audited the Association financials for the 2017 fiscal year and this report is provided to all members

Consider the following and think twice about keeping your dog on a leash:

- Your canine may enter a road and get hit by an oncoming vehicle.
- Your dog might get excited and jump on someone incapable of withstanding it (such as an elderly person or a child). This could harm someone else and open you up to potential legal action.
- Your dog risks encountering other dogs, some of whom might respond aggressively.
- Your dog could be harmed, or even worse, require euthanasia.
- An off-leash pet has more chance to eat something harmful, or even fatal.
- A dog may think it is protecting you and become aggressive.

Any one of these occurrences may lead to expenses and heartache that could be avoided by keeping your dog on a leash. Of course, your pet does need time for activity that provides physical and mental stimulation, and running around is a great activity. If you didn't already know it, Niguel Shores is very fortunate to have a dog park right across the street, behind the library, that you and your dog can enjoy.

Also, while walking your pet please use the doggie bags the Association supplies for your convenience and be sure to dispose of them appropriately in your trash. We have been seeing a significant increase in these bags being left along our sidewalks and roads.

—Bob Russell

of the Association. Please take a few minutes to review this information. The Association is in great financial condition and the Board continues to fund the Reserves appropriately.

### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR ALL RESIDENTS:

- **CANDIDATES RUNNING FOR THE BOARD.** The candidates that are currently running for the Board of Directors are **Bob Borland, Dick Kichline, Bob Russell** and **Jeannie Sticher**. Please submit your ballot as soon as possible so that we can achieve quorum and fill the Board positions. Ballots may be mailed or hand delivered to Accurate Voting Services, 23322 Peralta Drive, Suite 4, Laguna Hills, CA 92653 or presented in person at the Annual Meeting prior to the polls closing. **We will not be able to accept ballots at the Association office.**



■ **ANNUAL MEETING MAY 15.** On May 15, registration will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Center and the Annual Meeting is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. A few things to remember when voting:

- Only individuals listed as the legal owners of the property (members) may vote.
- Each property gets three votes (three Board seats open), and
- You must sign the outside envelope in order for your vote to be valid.

Your vote is very important and must be received to establish quorum. The ballot must be received by the Inspector of Elections by May 14 (or you can bring it to the annual meeting) to be counted towards quorum.

**SOUTH COAST WATER DISTRICT:** Niguel Shores through Harvest Landscape has been diligently working with

the water district to ensure there is not cross contamination and/or other potential issues. In doing this you may see SCWD identifying private potable irrigation water pop-up sprinklers by spray painting the top portion cap of the sprinkler green (see example below). Private potable irrigation water sprinkler risers, bubblers and drip lines will be identified with a green sticker labeled “potable water for irrigation” (see example below). This will happen specifically for identification of the NCSA residents’ private potable irrigation water systems within fifteen (15) feet of the HOA’s recycled irrigation system.



—Marla Miller



## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### MAINTENANCE

Planning for our Community’s active summer months starts early in the year and the Maintenance Committee has several projects in the planning stages, with some already approved by the Board. For you Ping Pong players, the committee has recommended a replacement table for the now rather old and dilapidated existing table. Committee member, Nader Sadoughi researched and presented our group with three strong options from which an indoor/outdoor table with a ten year warranty was chosen.

We also identified the need to replace the existing pool deck furniture, and after exhaustive research by member Shelly Miller, which included visiting several area communities and resorts to determine the most economical but durable options, we are working with the Board to make a suitable selection.

The painting project at the Clubhouse and Community Office is complete and looking great. Also the new wind screens are up on our tennis courts.

At the Bluff two new redwood picnic tables have been installed, along with the needed repairs to the remaining composite tables, so we will have plenty of seating for all the sunsets, wonderful holiday picnicking and events scheduled this summer.

Our maintenance staff is also in the process of replacing the wooden light posts in the Clubhouse parking lot that have succumbed to termite damage and dry rot, so look for those to be refreshed the next time you are there. Additionally, we approved the replacement of our Street signs and a vendor has been selected for that project.

If you are a walker—whether it be with your pet, for exercise, or just taking a stroll in our beautiful common areas—you will notice there are several stations provided throughout the community providing handy pet waste bags and deposit cans to make it easy to pick up after your animals. Unfortunately there are residents who either ignore the need to pick up after their pet or, even more surprising, use the bag to pick up but then leave it on the ground for someone else to retrieve. Simply said, this is inconsiderate behavior. Please take a moment to clean up after your dog so your neighbor doesn’t have to. That way we can all enjoy the “Extremely Well Maintained Community” we all are working together to create.

—Geoff Dunlevie

### EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Before you forget, circle these days in May you DON’T want to let slip by: May 13—Mother’s Day; 23—World Turtle Day (OK, look it up); 28—Memorial Day; AND, of course my birthday!!

Now for some questions: Do you lock your doors when you go to bed or leave the house? Do you put on your seat belt when you get in the car? Do you turn off the oven when you’re finished cooking? Of course you do!

But have you taken steps to safeguard your identity?

Did you know that in 2016 over \$16 Billion was stolen through IDENTITY FRAUD in the U.S.? In 2017 over 143 million people in the U.S. were affected by an Equifax credit breach exposing serious vulnerabilities in identity protection. And while no single fix exists to control identity theft, a variety of actions can help protect us.

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**FREEZE YOUR CREDIT ACCOUNTS:** If someone hacks into your credit, you can have everything from your Social Security number to your account details stolen. By freezing your credit accounts, you will:

- Halt banks and credit companies from pulling your reports.
- Prevent others from gaining access to your sensitive information.

To freeze your credit, you will need to contact each credit-reporting company individually. Married couples should keep in mind that both spouses have individual credit records to protect.

## ADDITIONAL SAFEGUARDS:

- Check your credit report and look for behavior you do not recognize.
- Monitor your credit cards and bank accounts to catch odd charges.
- Place a fraud alert on all sensitive accounts to warn creditors.

## CONTACT CREDIT BUREAUS:

- Equifax: (800) 846-5279
- Experian: (888) 397-3741
- Transunion: (800) 916-8800

More to come next month, so stay tuned for this:

- Using secure passwords and transactions. Online fraud is on the rise.
- Protecting your Social Security number.
- Managing your credit card(s).

—Kent Wellbrock

# COMMUNICATIONS

## *Seashore News* makes it to the finals!

March Madness and the Augusta Masters are behind us, and we congratulate the players and winners. However, a little closer to home, congratulations are in order as well. Our *Seashore News* monthly newsletter has been selected as a finalist in the 2018 Neighborhoods USA National Newsletter Competition. Needless to say, those of us who participate every month in making sure the *Seashore News* is delivered to your front door are very proud.

A bit of background: A few months ago our General Manager, Marla Miller, shared the competition information at one of our monthly meetings. The Communications Committee discussed the application process and the steps involved in the competition and decided to GO FOR IT! Sandy Homicz, our editor, along with Marla and Matt Northrop, our NSCA Staff Liaison, compiled several months' issues and wrote an accompanying explanation

about how our newsletter is created, compiled and distributed every month.

As we have noted in the past, the *Seashore News* is very much a community publication. There are more than 70 volunteers who work together to get the newsletter to you each month. From the small group of editors and writers who make up the Communications Committee, to the resourceful monthly columnists, to the loyal group of collators and distributors, and to our NSCA board members and staff who advise us monthly—we are a team effort and this recognition is shared among all of you. We are excited and proud to have received this honor and to share it with all of you.

—Patti Staudenbaur

# RECREATION COMMITTEE

Hello Neighbors! Another month closer to summer fun.

A big thank you **Nancy Tinnes** for organizing another successful garage sale and to all who participated.

Your Recreation Committee has been busy planning special summer events so mark your calendars.

## Upcoming Events:

**Cinco de Mayo – Saturday, May 5, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Come and enjoy tacos and music down at the Beach Bluff. Purchase your tickets now in the NSCA office for \$10 each.

**Memorial Day BBQ – Sunday, May 27, 5:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Bring your own food to barbeque on the grill, and enjoy fun tunes with DJ Diane.

**In N Out Night – Saturday, June 9, 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Purchase your tickets starting May 14 in the NSCA office for \$10 each. Get your choice of either a burger, cheeseburger, or grilled cheese with chips and a drink.

See you all there.

—Maria Elena Banks

# WEBSITE

Niguel Shores events, photos, and news are available at your fingertips wherever you have an internet connection. Check our website: [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org). You will find the current news, a calendar of activities, announcements of events, a photo gallery, archives of previous months, plus NSCA forms, regulations, and contact information. It's worth a look!



Please note that our website [www.niguelshores.org](http://www.niguelshores.org) and our newsletter, *The Seashore News*, are your official sources of Niguel Shores news.

# CLUBS

## WOMEN'S CLUB

Our monthly luncheon meeting was held on April 12 at the Clubhouse. Three new members, Chris Daley, Catherine Bitran, and Mary Ellen Hoffman, were welcomed into the Club by President Lydia Reese, who presented each lady with a yellow rose.



President Lydia Reese welcomes new members Chris Daley, Mary Ellen Hoffman and Catherine Bitran with roses.

Our Secretary, Yollie Mancino, congratulated the Women's Club members who contribute their efforts to publishing and delivering our neighborhood newsletter, *The Seashore News*, which has recently been honored in a national newsletter competition.

Lydia then announced the slate of officers for next year that will be voted upon at the May meeting: President—Terry Link; Vice President—Christy Manetta; Secretary—Catherine Bitran; Treasurer—Cathy Tyson.

Lydia also noted the passing of a longtime member of our Club, Marguerite Printz.

Dana Point City Councilwoman Debra Lewis spoke briefly about the proposed redistricting of Dana Point for future elections. She will elaborate on this issue as our featured speaker on May 10.

After a tasty luncheon buffet, we enjoyed a presentation from Dr. Kerry Burnight, Chief Gerontologist of GrandPad and Director of the Orange County Elder Abuse Forensic Center. Dr. Burnight emphasized how important it is for seniors to stay connected socially with friends and family and not to fall into social isolation, which raises the mortality rate threefold compared to those seniors who have deeper social ties. She has been instrumental in the design and development of the GrandPad, a tablet computer specifically created to help seniors easily connect with others. For more information, she directed us to [www.grandPad.net](http://www.grandPad.net).

The Niguel Shores Women's Club welcomes all residents to be guests at our monthly luncheons. If you are interested in attending or becoming a member, please contact Barbara Goffman at [barbgoffman@cox.net](mailto:barbgoffman@cox.net) for details.

—Nadine Allen

## MEN'S CLUB

Compliments to Jack Christiansen, who oversees six great teams that cook and serve fantastic breakfasts at 8:00 a.m. on our Tuesday meeting days.

At our most recent meeting, Bob Borland reminded us that we thought growing old would take longer. He then updated us on the Men's Club Scholarship Program – 15 outstanding candidates—and on the August 9 Delmar racetrack trip.

Through the good offices of (and a brilliant plea bargain by) Rick Erkeneff, Orange County District Attorney Tony Rackaukas came to speak at our April 3 meeting. Elected and re-elected four times, Rackaukas leads a staff of 820, including 260 attorneys and 175 investigators. With a mission of criminal and civil enforcement of state law, including consumer protection and opioid litigation, they process 60,000 criminal cases per year, including 10,000 felonies, and achieve a greater than 70% conviction rate. This high conviction rate demonstrates prosecuting cases they expect to win with a burden of proof of guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. It depends on completing good investigative/police work making cases ready for trial.



District Attorney Anthony Rackaukas

A high priority of the DA's office is to reduce the influence and activities of gangs by using teams that stay with a case from beginning to conviction. The four prongs of the gang attack have been prosecution of gang violence, gathering gang intelligence, obtaining gang injunctions, and GRIP—gang intervention reduction partnership with schools. Providing a role model function has helped reduce the number of gangs by more than half.

Rackaukas reminded us that crime hits us in all shapes and varieties. For example, a current scam involves last minute changes to wire transfer instructions with mortgage financings transferring your funds to the crook's account. Other items being watched are sober living homes, which he feels need more regulation, and crime related to drug addiction and the homeless problem.

On April 17, another of our informative meetings brought Councilwoman Debra Lewis, former mayor of Dana Point, and a retired attorney, to speak on the nuts and bolts of districts and at-large elections. Briefly, the California Voting Rights Act, enacted in 2001, allows special interest attorneys



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to challenge any governmental body with at-large elections, asserting that Dana Point has racially polarized elections, depriving minorities of fair representation. Although CVRA grants 45- and 90-day safe harbor periods, City Hall cut short the initial 45-day period by 30 days, causing the current rush Dana Point faces to fight or concede.

Currently we have “at-large” districts with a mayor elected from them by a majority of the City Council members. The options under consideration are do nothing, elect five council members by five districts, or elect a mayor at-large and four members by district.

The problem then becomes district boundaries. Most of the proposed boundaries split Niguel Shores (and Monarch Beach) into multiple districts. Proposed districts are evaluated based upon 2010 census reports and must have approximately equal population, be nondiscriminatory on race, keep communities who share interests together, be contiguous and compact and follow boundaries like rivers and roads. The districting decisions will be made by a majority of City Council (3 votes) before May 21, 2018.

The discussion among most members who have thought about it finds that Niguel Shores and Monarch Beach are common interest communities that should be kept together.

- STAY INFORMED
- GET INVOLVED, and
- VOICE YOUR OPINION.

On the Men’s Club agenda for May 1 is a presentation by David Hosmer, an attorney mediator. May 15 is our Mother’s Day appreciation breakfast. We invite all ladies with connection to the Men’s Club, past or present, to attend this special event. Author Alan Hess will speak on Orange County landmark preservation.

—Robert Saint-Aubin

## GARDEN CLUB

THANK YOU Niguel Shores for making the Garden Club’s Annual Plant Sale on Saturday, April 28, a Blooming Success!

Oh, I used that same intro last year. Well, the club expresses that same sentiment this year. Of course our ‘State’ was happy too, since we pay state sales taxes on all your purchases. For an entry fee of \$1.00 per person one could purchase a great selection of plants and gardening items. What better way to support our Garden Club than by beautifying your garden with your purchases? Cookies and lemonade added to an enjoyable experience for the attendees. On top of that there were great door prizes—gift cards and special raffle prizes.

Thanks are also in order to all Garden Club members who contributed plants or garden equipment for the sale. Special recognition goes to these local nurseries for their donations of plants for our raffle: **Dana Point Nursery, The Plant Depot**, our community landscape contractor **Harvest Landscape Enterprises**, and for the contribution of gift cards, **Armstrong Nursery** and **Green Thumb Nursery**. Need I say that patronizing these businesses will demonstrate our appreciation for their continued participation in our annual plant sale?

The next Garden Club meeting is at noon on Monday, May 18, where a speaker from Harvest Enterprises will discuss the latest topics on various landscape designs and also continue a photo slide presentation of our community plant varieties.

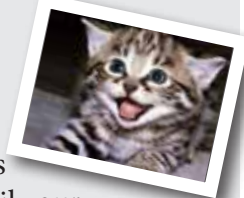
Sign ups for our annual Beach Bluff Barbeque scheduled for June will be available at the meeting. Members are asked to bring a check in order to pay your 2018-2019 club dues.

—Karl Kuhn

## DOG-GONE IT, PURR-FECT PICTURES NEEDED

Here is a chance to make your pet famous! We invite you to send a photo of your treasured pet for all Niguel Shores to see! One photo per household, but you can have several pets in the photo if you like. By May 15, please email your

digital pictures to [seashorenews@hotmail.com](mailto:seashorenews@hotmail.com) and tell us something about the little darlin’ who lights up your life. We will use as many pictures as space permits over the coming months.



## Honoring Our Graduates

Does your household have a high school or college graduate this year? Send their names and any other information (schools, activities, future plans) by May 10 to [seashorenews@hotmail.com](mailto:seashorenews@hotmail.com). We would like to honor the graduates in our June issue.



Ah, the 1970s! Southern California was known worldwide as a surfer's paradise complete with killer waves and beach blanket bingo parties, thanks to the Beach Boys and Frankie and Annette. *The Brady Bunch*, *Happy Days*, *Charlie's Angels*, *Laverne and Shirley*, and *Mary Tyler Moore* were at the top of our TV viewing lists, and we thrilled to *Jaws*, *The Godfather*, *Rocky*, and *Star Wars* at the theater. The Beatles moved in, Elvis left us, pyramids had power, leisure suits ruled, disco arrived, CB radios, pet rocks, and mood rings were the rage. For those here on the famous California coast in what would become Niguel Shores, it was a time for new beginnings in a sunny new community.

NSCA historical albums compiled by former news editors Hope Leudeke and Mary Crowl

show pictures of a large happy crowd at the Recreation Center Grand Opening hosted by Avco Community Development in 1972.



1972 Grand Opening of the Recreation Center buildings and pool.



**Peggy Mahaffey Weis** remembers a sign posted at the front gate one weekend in July, 1973, when she first moved into her Garden Home on Coral Bay. "It probably was the first pancake breakfast hosted . . . so I thought it would be great to go and then get to my unpacking. I sat down to eat when a young couple came over—**Linda and Bob Theel**. They had also just moved in, had two children around the same age as mine, purchased the same model, and lived two blocks away. We hit it off immediately . . . and my family's friendship with the Theels has lasted 45 years."

In 1975, when **Lisa and Alan Buchner** moved to California from New York to oversee his family's apparel business, they rented and then purchased a Garden Home on Tasman Bay. Later they bought their current residence on Sidney Bay to have more room for their growing children. Lisa recalls so many happy times raising their son and daughter here in the Shores and making so many wonderful friends. In the early



The playground in the community park.

years, the moms of the community would meet with their little ones at the pool or the park or the beach with snacks, lunches, and games to spend the day. Back then, there was a need for improved playground facilities in the park, so the mothers formed "The Swinging Moms" group and held fundraisers like boutiques and bake sales to raise money for a much-needed swing and playset.

The moms also joined together for a neighborhood babysitting club with mothers earning a ticket for every 30 minutes of sitting. They took turns caring for each other's children, which gave the kids lots of fun playing with neighborhood friends and the moms a chance to do errands or keep appointments knowing their little ones were with trusted families. Many lasting ties were formed in this way. For example, Lisa recalls babysitting the Mullen children, who are still in touch with her own children today, and one of them, **Patty Mullen Cook**, is now raising her own children here in the Shores!

**Patty** recalls a Luau from her childhood in the 1970s that almost everyone in the community attended. "It was a potluck, and the kids performed. There was a blending of neighbors of all ages then," she said, and a wealth of good times encouraged her to stay here. "It's where I decided to raise my family—I love it that much!" With her parents, **Bob and Carol Sue Mullen**, Patty first lived on Halyard and then moved to Timor Bay in the mid-70s, where she lives now.

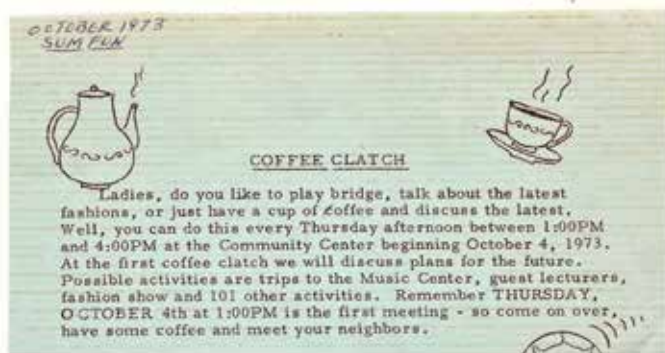
She shared a copy of a spiral-bound neighborhood cookbook compiled by "The Mothers for Youth Organization of Niguel Shores, 1977," in which **Lisa Buchner** posted a recipe for Cheese and Mushroom Canapes, **Linda Duffer** had a Chicken Wings Appetizer, **Cathy Jones** shared a Chili Cheese appetizer and **Carol Sue Mullen** offered Crispy Won Tons. (*Patty, we looked them over and all the recipes sound just as tasty today as they probably were back then!*)



Special events like that early luau have continued to be popular in our community ever since, with long-time residents especially remembering our 4th of July celebrations through the years complete with pancake breakfasts, parades, hot dog lunches, and sandcastle contests.



Sandcastle contest on 4th of July



FIRST MEETING, OCTOBER 4, 1973 - Steve Sonies, Assistant Manager of Niguel Shores Community Center, made coffee and waited in meeting room for one hour until two women showed up to launch the club. Total attendance - six women . . . . Most of October spent in organization . . . . averaged six to fifteen women per Thursday plus one or two small children.

Announcement of a "Coffee Clatch"

From our beginnings in the 1970s, Niguel Shores residents have prized the lifestyle enjoyed here. They have helped shape the direction of our community by joining NSCA Boards and Committees, and have formed clubs for interests of all kinds—gardening, bridge, books, sports, and so on. Two of our largest clubs today, the **Women's Club** and **Men's Club**, are thriving organizations that took root during those early years. A 3x5 card posted on a bulletin board by the assistant manager of the Niguel Shores Community Center in October 1973 announced a Thursday afternoon "Coffee Clatch" for ladies that was attended by six women—and from there the Women's Club has grown to more than 120 members who gather monthly for lunch and friendship. A year later, in 1974, a small group of men initiated the Men's Club, which is highly popular with its twice monthly breakfasts, engaging speakers, and philanthropies.



The multipurpose room in the original Recreation Center hosting a 1973 Women's Club luncheon and the first meeting of the Men's Club in 1974.



**Frances Ozimec** first moved into Niguel Shores in 1973 on Halyard Drive. A year later she purchased her present Berkus Home on Padina Circle. "One of the things I remember from the early days was the opening of the original Rec Center and pool. Avco Community Developers held a party for the residents and, for some reason, I remember that the food was from KFC (good heavens!)." She added, "There was no locked gate to the pool and Rec Center at that time. One just signed in at the office window. Also there was no locked gate on the path going down to the beach, yet I do not recall there being any big problem with trespassers."



Frances submitted a photo that is priceless. She asks, "Can you guess which Niguel Shores gate this is?" She called attention to all the undeveloped hills in the background. "This was prior to security patrols and there was still a lot of construction going on in the community so there were plenty of materials lying around with which to build a skate board ramp. The three young boys, who will remain anonymous (!), are now in their late forties and early to mid-fifties. The photo was taken around 1976/77, probably by the father of these young skaters. I, of course, would not have condoned such activity! It's the Stonehill gate, by the way."

**M**argaret Moore moved into a Sea Terrace I Townhome on Crossjack Drive in August, 1975, then left in 1995 after twenty years and rented elsewhere in the surrounding area. However, she moved back to Niguel Shores on Marmara Bay and has been there since 2008. Margaret remembers that before the Ritz Carlton

was built, there were usually hang gliders in that spot taking off from the cliffs and sailing over the ocean. She said when the Ritz Carlton opened, the hotel threw a party for all the Niguel Shores residents, which she attended with her mother.



Margaret Moore's pictures of the cliffs where the Ritz Carlton sits now. Margaret says, "Those are not birds or drones in the sky. They are hang gliders."

**C**hris Beaver sent us photos of the Ritz Carlton construction looking rather bare without its landscaping, and Salt Creek Beach below the Ritz also barren except for flocks of gulls. Her photos of the Shores in the 1970s show a greenbelt

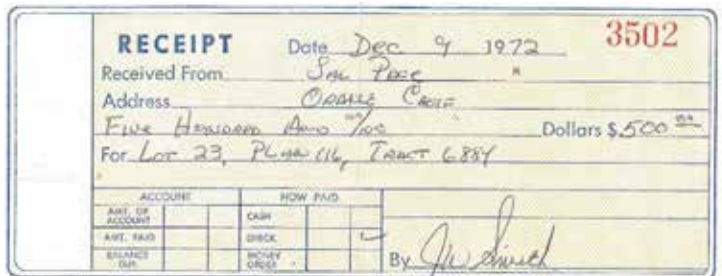
behind Windward Drive that has only the simplest landscaping of grass and some thin seedling trees instead of the full shrubbery we enjoy now. Chris also provided a picture of the Dana Point Harbor Marina only half its current size.



The newly built Ritz Carlton above the seagulls on Salt Creek Beach.

Newly planted trees along the asphalt path behind Windward Drive.

**W**e all know that real estate prices have increased substantially since our community was first developed, but back in December of 1972 **Sal Pace** bought his Sea Terrace I Townhome on Marlinspike with only a \$500 deposit—and he still has the receipt to prove it! When Avco Developers completed the house in early 1973, Sal moved in and has enjoyed living there ever since. He commented on how many of the homes have been completely remodeled, giving our community “a fresh new look” even though we are one of the oldest neighborhoods in the area. To quote Sal: “The Shores is beautiful and well-kept. We have a security patrol that gives us peace of mind and good



Sal Pace's 1972 deposit of \$500 for his Sea Terrace I Townhome.

HOA management with many committees staffed through the years by hard working homeowners. And how about the great ocean and sunset views!"



**P**ete Gravely bought his Sea Terrace I Townhome on Spinnaker one afternoon in 1973 from the owner who had recently purchased it from the developer but never moved in. Pete remembers that the original Sea Terrace sales office and models were the homes at the north end of the cul de sac closest to Stonehill, with Spinnaker being the first street to be built. The other Sea Terrace streets were bare, waiting for purchase and framing by Avco Developers. “All landscaping within each property fence line had to be done by the new owners. When you first moved in, the enclosed areas were just hard-baked sand with a fair amount of construction debris . . .” He remembers that the common area walking paths were asphalt, not concrete,



A 1971 new homeowner's notebook from Avco Community Development showing Niguel Shores was originally slated to be part of Laguna Niguel.

believed our coastal unincorporated area would eventually be annexed by Laguna Niguel. However, in 1989 residents decided instead to become part of Dana Point with its beach and harbor vibe.

so they deteriorated and grass grew in through the cracks. Later, the Association replaced the paths with concrete. He says there were many young couples with families on Spinnaker and throughout the neighborhood in that first phase of construction when Sea Terrace I sales prices were in the \$30,000 to \$39,000 range. (*Wow!*)

Pete's sales materials contained architectural renderings and floorplans of each model, plus a notebook labeled "Laguna Niguel" because the developers

**M**argaret Mullinix moved into her Broadmoor Home on Brigantine in February, 1972, as one of Niguel Shores original residents. She remembers there were not enough classrooms in the schools yet and her boys, who were going to Marco Forester, had to decide between attending from 6:00 a.m. to noon, or noon to 6:00 p.m. The boys chose the afternoon session and enjoyed surfing down at our beach every morning! Margaret revealed that the



View of bare hills and construction trailers from Brigantine Drive.

early photos she shared show barren hills and construction trailers below her back deck looking out to the ocean. *How times have changed!*

housing developer actually had a hard time selling all of the homes because people didn't want to live this far from Los Angeles or San Diego. After all these years, Margaret says her home is just about the same now as it was back then, but there have been many different sets of neighbors. The

**W**hen Carole Daly moved into her brand new Berkus Home, she remembers, "We had to wait for phone service and whenever a new neighbor moved in we let them use our phone. Soon many new families began arriving with lots of children for our two sons to play with. Our children could walk to school with no fears as well as walk to the Rec Center, as it was then called."

Carole points out that our recreation areas were busy right from the start. "Tennis was very popular in the Shores, and it was really a challenge to get a court on the weekends. There were organized tennis tournaments and everyone had a fun time. The beach and our private parking and ramp were so important to our families. In

those days, there were very few people on the sand and we all knew each other." In later years Carole moved to a different street, but stayed in Niguel Shores. "When my Berkus Home 'nest' was empty, I downsized to a one story Broadmoor Home on Brigantine and have lived there since 1998. I've been blessed to reside in Niguel Shores for the past 47 years."

Like so many of our long-time residents, those of us currently residing in Niguel Shores share Carole's feelings of good fortune about living here. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this article, and congratulations on winning Trader Joe's gift cards for sharing your memories.

—Sandy Homicz



# ACTIVITIES

## PAGE TURNERS

Page Turners Monday afternoon and Thursday afternoon groups will be discussing *The American* by Henry James which was first published in 1876/77. The book has been described as a combination of social comedy and melodrama. James writes about the clash between European and American cultures and more specifically about the misadventures of his main character Christopher Newman, an essentially good-hearted but rather gauche American businessman on his first tour of Europe. The meetings will be May 21 and May 24.

Also this month members have been reviewing reading suggestions for next year. Members suggest books and then vote to select nine titles for next year. With suggestions from approximately thirty members we have quite a list to choose from, and titles not chosen make a great reading list for members to enjoy at their leisure. For information on the Thursday group please contact Steve and Ann Morris at samwrsi@cox.net and for the Monday group, Frances at fozimec@cox.net.

—Frances Ozimec

## REALLY SERIOUS BOOK CLUB

Lakshman Sehgal hosted the meeting and led the discussion on *Rigor Mortis*, a book critical of many published medical research papers because of lack of proper peer review, statistical errors, bad research design, mishandled data, etc. The author, Richard Harris, partly blames competition to publish early and often. In discussion it was a consensus that most flawed research was from areas where there is public pressure to get results fast and much competition to secure funding. Better peer review and calling out of flawed research would help the process. Next month's discussion will be *Everybody Lies* by Davidowitz, the story of Big Data. If you would like to join us, email me at nortlynn@cox.net. —Norton Schwartz

## BRIDGE

For the last month the Bridge Club has been playing three or four tables on each Wednesday beginning at 11:00 a.m. in the Clubhouse. We've added several new players to our group recently, and if you're interested in playing please call Mary Ann at 949-489-9999. We only ask that you already have a basic working knowledge of the game.

### Our latest winners:

- 3/21 1) Jim Pinola, 2) Sandy Youdbulis, 3) Helen Campbell
- 3/28 1) Jim Pinola, 2) Sandy Youdbulis, 3) Pouri Fowzi
- 4/04 1) Chet Ciochon, 2) Frieda Baskin, 3) Helen Campbell
- 4/11 1) Joannie Donahue, 2) Helen Campbell, 3) Pouri Fowzi
- 4/18 1) Lee Farrell, 2) Frieda Baskin, 3) Jim Pinola

—Jim Pinola

## LIBRARY

The following is a list of Dana Point Library programs for May, 2018. All are free and held in the Community Room unless otherwise noted. Walk-ins are welcome.

### CHILDREN:

**Toddler Storytime** – Tuesdays, May 1, 8 and 15, 10:30 a.m. Stories, activities and songs for children under 3 years old and their favorite adults. Stay and play with puzzles and toys afterward.

**Preschool Storytime** – Wednesdays, May 2, 9, and 16, 10:30 a.m. Stories, activities, and fun for children, ages 3 to 5. Stay and play with crafts afterward.

**Read to a Dog** – Wednesday, May 2, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. For beginning readers. These special therapy dogs love listening to stories. Held in the children's area.

**Bilingual Storytime** – Saturday, May 5, 11:00 a.m. to noon. *Ven a LEER conmigo!* Come READ with me! Family storytime in Spanish and English. A fun morning of stories, songs, and crafts.

**STEAMPORT** – Sunday, May 6, 1:30 p.m. Science, technology, engineering, arts, and math for kids. We will explore light with a constellation projector. Seating is limited to the first 15 kids.

**Lego Club** – Wednesday, May 9, 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Design, build, and create. Lego bricks provided. All ages welcome!

**PJ Storytime** – Monday, May 14, 5:30 p.m. The whole family is welcome for an evening of stories. Wearing pajamas encouraged. Cookie and water served. Hosted by the NCL Laguna Sunshine Readers.

**Family Game Night** – Monday, May 21, 5:30 to 7:00 p.m. A fun family night with video games and old school board games.

**Craft with Stories** – Saturday, May 26, 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. A fun afternoon of crafting with stories. Children under 6 and their families.

### ADULTS:

**English Class** – Monday, May 7 and 14, 1:00 p.m. and Friday, May 4 and 11, 11:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Learn to read, write and speak. Register at esl.danapt@gmail.com.

**Write On Writer's Group** – First and third Tuesdays, 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Writers of all genres are invited to share your works in progress and receive critiques from our friendly group.

**Learn Basic Computer Skills** – First three Tuesdays, 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Learn basic computer skills with a free, three-part, hands-on class. Learn vocabulary, using a mouse, email and internet. Call 949 496-5517 or visit the library to register.

**The Memory Club: Brain Boosters Class** – First Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to Noon. Learn about memory, aging, and dementia. Group discussions and humor included.

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

**Gentle Readers Book Club** – Second Thursday, 10:30 a.m. to Noon. For those interested in optimistic but provocative books without the graphic content. Copies of the current selection, *Back When We Were Grownups* by Ann Tyler, are available at the service desk.

**Seaside Book Club** – Monday, May 21, 10:30 a.m. to Noon. Copies of this month's selection, *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles, are available at the service desk.

**Foreign Film** – Fourth Sunday, 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. This month's selection is *Jasper Jones*, a 2017 Australian release. See what happens when Jasper Jones and Charlie Bucktin pair up to solve a mystery.

—Karla Sanders

# Mother's Day



So much to be said about this special day when we remember our mothers. We'll send cards, make phone calls, and visit the ones still with us—but words just don't seem sufficient to express our feelings of love, gratitude and admiration for these special women who formed our lives. In his *Book of Blessings* Irish poet, author and teacher John O'Donohue wrote:

*Mother,  
Your nearness fills the air  
Like a garden for all the seeds  
of thought that stir within our hearts.  
You've nurtured and fostered this space  
To root all our quietly gathering intensity  
That could grow nowhere else.*

If we are mothers, what do we wish for on Mother's Day? As children or spouses what can we bring to one who has nurtured our lives? The greatest gift I received was back in 1989. I awoke in the morning anticipating (and expecting) my four daughters and husband to be in the kitchen preparing a Mother's Day breakfast. I listened for sounds of busy hands but heard nothing. My husband was still in bed sound asleep. I quietly stepped into the kitchen only to find it dark and empty. I was the only one awake. It was disappointing, to say the least.

Then as time passed, my disappointment turned to anger. "How thoughtless my family had been by not doing SOMETHING SPECIAL FOR ME! It was, after all, Mother's Day!"

Later we had plans to visit my husband's mother near San Diego. She was the mother of twelve children. My husband was her third oldest, the rest were married with children, and everyone always visited "Mom" on Mother's Day.

Upon arrival, after greeting all the gathered relatives, I looked for my mother-in-law. There she was, sitting peacefully by herself at the kitchen table. I went and sat with her. She looked over at me and said, "This is my favorite holiday. Everybody comes to be together. Look at all the mothers here. It's wonderful to just sit and enjoy this house full of love."

We sat in silence for a while and I felt such warmth as I viewed the scene through her eyes. She gave me the most wonderful Mother's Day gift imaginable: an attitude of gratitude, not an attitude of entitlement and expectation. She was more than a mother-in-law, she was my *mother-in-love*.

Since then, yearly on Mother's Day I enjoy waking up to a quiet kitchen, make myself a nice cup of coffee and reflect on the memory of my own mother, my mother-in-law and my four daughters who are now mothers themselves. I hope we can always live gracefully with the full and grateful heart shown by example back in 1989. She gave me a gift that will last a lifetime. It's all about the love we get, the love we give, and the love we leave behind. *Happy Mother's Day!*

—Yollie Mancino

## MEMORIAL DAY



5th Marines Monument stops at Strands en route to Camp Pendleton for Memorial Day Dedication

This Memorial Day, May 28, the Fifth Marines of Camp Pendleton will dedicate their Vietnam Remembrance Monument inscribed with the names of all 2,706 Fifth Marines killed in action in Vietnam.

A few weeks ago, three flatbed trucks carrying sections of the thirty-ton piece, wrapped in tarps, stopped at nearby Strands Park for a welcome by a large gathering of local residents. The trucks were driven across the country by veterans accompanied by the Patriot Guard Riders from Vermont, where the marble monument was created.



Soon after Memorial Day, our own Jerry Allen will be interred with honors at Arlington National Cemetery in Washington, D.C. with his family attending. Arlington has been our nation's most hallowed burial ground since 1864.

WOMEN’S GOLF

The Niguel Shores lady golfers met on April 9 at The Ranch 9-hole golf course with six golfers: Irene McDonald, Judy Boitano, Val Mitchell, Catriona Sigsby, Karen Condino and Julie Patton. The weather was approaching 80 degrees and the course couldn’t have been more lovely! Each player used the best drive of the group and then played her own ball in for an individual score. Prizes went to Judy, who had a fantastic shot on hole #6 to win closest to the pin, and to Catriona for low gross, closest to the pin on #8, and longest drive on #9. Congratulations!

Following golf, we had a wonderful lunch in the private alcove of the Harvest restaurant overlooking the golf course, and enjoyed good friends and food. In addition to our golfers, our social members Joanie Beyer, Ceacy Johns, Chris Beaver, and Ruthie Stahl joined us, as well as President Marlene Lynch, Treasurer Lee Sweeney, and Recording Secretary Brenda Tuckley. Our own stunning Social Secretary, Chris Beaver, is the birthday girl this month! Since she is so wonderful about sending special greetings to our members throughout the year, we want to enthusiastically wish her the happiest of birthdays on April 20! This month, we said goodbye to our snowbirds, Pam Strayer who has returned to Maine, and Karen, who will be heading back to Michigan. They will be missed!

Our next golf outing will be May 14 and all are welcome. Please contact Irene McDonald to sign up at (949) 481-3035. The more the merrier!

A LITTLE HUMOR UNTIL OUR NEXT MEETING:  
 During a doctor visit I asked, “How do you determine whether a retiree should be put in an old age home?”  
 He said, “We fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket and ask the retiree to empty the bathtub.”  
 “Oh, I understand,” I said. “A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup.”  
 “No” he said. “A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?”

—Julie Patton

IN MEMORIAM

*Lois Montgomery*

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MEN’S GOLF

We had great golf weather the month of April for our outings at Oak Creek, Arroyo Trabuco, Talega, and Tijeras Creek. We are fortunate to have many fine public courses here in Orange County that have provided our golf group with super low green fees. In May we have a great schedule planned:

- May 1 – San Juan Hills
- May 8 – Talega
- May 15 – San Juan Hills
- May 22 –Tijeras Creek
- May 29 – Arroyo Trabuco

BELOW PAR?

After a particularly bad round of golf, Robert decided not to go to the nineteenth hole [the clubhouse bar] and started straight home.

As he was walking in the parking lot to his Range Rover, a policeman stopped him and asked, “Did you tee off on the seventeenth hole about twenty minutes ago?”

“Yes,” Robert answered. “Did you happen to slice your ball so that it went over the trees and out of bounds and completely off the golf course?”

“Yes, I did. How did you know?”Robert questioned.

“Well,” said the policeman gravely, “your golf ball flew out onto the main road and crashed through the windscreen of a BMW. The car driver lost control and crashed into six other cars and a fire engine. The fire engine was unable to reach the fire in time and the building burned down. Now, what do you intend to do about it?”

Robert thought it over very carefully and responded, “I think I’ll close my stance a little bit, tighten my grip and lower my right thumb.”

—Bob Russell

DANA POINT UPDATE – DISTRICTING

“**Districting**” is a major issue facing Dana Point which will determine how members of the City Council and the Mayor are elected. The California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) attempts to insure “Protected Classes” so interests are fairly represented in all California cities’ elections. Six maps of Dana Point have been developed by a contracted demographer showing four “Five District” options and two “Four District” options. The City Council is conducting public outreach to determine which of these options is the fairest to all voters. Council members Debra Lewis and Joe Muller each spoke and answered questions about Districting at meetings of the Niguel Shores Women’s Club and Men’s Club. For further information on the issue residents can check the city’s web-site at [www.danapoint.org](http://www.danapoint.org) and view detailed explanations at [www.danapoint.org/residents/city-news/district-elections](http://www.danapoint.org/residents/city-news/district-elections).

—Roy Dohner





## CUISINE CORNER

### The Olives Branch in San Juan Capistrano

Many nutritionists agree Mediterranean cuisine is the best diet in the western hemisphere. Who can dispute that cooking centered around olive oil, garlic and vegetables can be beneficial to your health? Having married into a Lebanese family many years ago has exposed me to arguably the best of the best of this cuisine. To our delight, **The Olives Branch** in Marbella Plaza on Rancho Viejo Road has opened and is operated by a chef from my mother-in-law's ancestral village in the hills near Beirut. Everything is made from scratch.

The menu features soups, salads, shish kababs, many grilled platters and our kids' favorite shawarma sandwiches—thinly-sliced uniquely-spiced chicken or beef and lamb, wrapped in pita with tomato, pickles and garlic sauce. The two daily soups are red lentils or lemon chicken. Their

classic tabbouleh salad mixes chopped parsley with bulgur wheat, tomato, onion and green onion, fresh mint, lemon juice and EVOO. Or you can have a Lebanese style Greek salad which adds falafel and mint to the traditional romaine, cucumber, tomato, onion, Kalamata olives and feta.

Off the grill there's a baker's dozen char-broiled shish kababs to choose from: chicken, lamb, beef, Greek style ground gyro meat, salmon, shrimp or vegetarian combos. Appetizers also make a nice simple meal when you're less hungry.

Among their generous small plate offerings are kibbee balls, calamari, fried cauliflower, falafel, fried eggplant, Phoenician fries (spiced French fries), and cheese fatayer (like spanakopita). Their sautéed chicken livers appetizer is more than most individuals can finish alone. All the small plates are enough to share.

Lunch special plates or sandwiches range from \$9.98 to \$13.98 for filet mignon. These come with a choice of soup, salad

*(Continued on page 16)*

## Wellness... The Roar of Stress

As I closed the book, I let out an inaudible sigh. That kind of sigh when you've just finished reading something that shook up your soul. A book that you think about for a long time. Fiction or non-fiction, it stayed with you. It made you think about your life and your loved ones. About the rapid nature of the passage of time and how we choose to spend it. You know, one of those books.

Perhaps you're expecting me to reveal the title as one of the great works of literature over the ages, or something more modern with an element of edginess. Instead, the book I'm referring to is *The Blue Zones*, which some of you may have read. The author, Dan Buettner, and his support team, most notably The National Geographic Society, sought out places in our world where there was a high percentage of centenarians to understand how and why they lived so long and were still so active and bright of mind. This most recent edition takes the reader to six different locales, one in southern California, and Dan tells each one's story.

Nutrition, physical movement, and sleep were all very important elements. They ate little meat, dined on plant-based foods, drank limited alcohol, physically worked well into their 90s and beyond, and had very strong family ties and social circles, while living stress free lives. They didn't hurry or care about what the neighbors thought. Instead, they



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experienced life in the moment. Whether it was a 100 year old woman cutting the wild grass with a machete, or caressing her great, great grandchild, they were happy and joy filled, turning over their worries to a "higher power."

Western culture has gone in the other direction adding more anxiety to life all the time. The stress and worry elevate cortisol levels and throw our nervous systems into "fight or flight," releasing adrenaline into our bloodstream as if we were being attacked by a lion. Except there aren't any lions chasing us today! Instead, deadlines, long commutes, family challenges, bills, work, money, and beyond all have grown a mane and developed a very loud roar! The physical response—high blood pressure, increased blood sugar, tense muscles, inflammation and more—is identical though, creating long term health problems that shorten our lives. And if the physical toll isn't enough, the emotional toll finishes the job. Anxious, worried people striving to work harder, acquire more things, and climb the corporate ladder are usually not very happy, or healthy, and seldom make very good company.

We can turn this around by practicing healthy habits, mind and body. Eat healthy, serve others, stay at a healthy weight, be physically active, meditate, be social, get outdoors, and be grateful for every moment. Read this book! By starting to take these small steps today, we can transform that roaring lion into a purring kitten, and live a longer, healthier, happier life!

or Phoenician fries. Dinner entrees from the grill are reasonably priced. The \$37.99 Sultan's Platter dinner for two is a combination of skewered filet mignon, chicken tawook and beef kafta over basmati rice, hummus, tahini and garlic sauce. And there are five times more offerings than this limited review allows!

Kitchen hours are 11:00 a.m. until 11:00 p.m. seven days a week. The hookah lounge and bar stay open until midnight Monday through Wednesday, and until 1:00 a.m. Thursday through Sunday. Belly dancer arrives every Saturday at 8:30 p.m. Party? —Gary Tinnes

## BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

### APRIL 11, 2018 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)

#### ACCEPTED AND FILED:

- Financial Reports
- Delinquency Report
- General Session Committee Minutes

#### APPROVED:

- General Session Meeting Minutes from March 13, 2018
- Lien Filings for APN 672-131-18 and APN 672-041-33
  - Repair/Replacement to Beach Bluff Fence
  - Pool Furniture Recommendation from Maintenance Committee and Staff
- Add Emergency Item to General Session Agenda: Replacement of Pool Pump
- Ratify the Emergency Installation of Pool Pump
- Appeal of Architectural Committee Decision

#### DISAPPROVED:

- Appeal of Traffic & Safety Committee Decision

#### APPEAL/MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:

- Appeal of Traffic & Safety Committee Decision – No Parking Waiver
- Appeal of Architectural Committee Decision – Disapproval of Rear Hedge Planting

#### REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:

- Tree Removal at the Stairs behind Sidney Bay: Tree will be trimmed and laced, not removed

- Beach Bluff Handrail Options
- Correspondence to the Board
- Manager's Report

#### TABLED:

- Tree Removal between 24111 and 24115 Gourami Bay
- Tree Removal at 33922 Faeroe Bay
- Tree Removal at 33772 Via Capri

### APRIL 11, 2018 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)

#### ACCEPTED AND FILED:

- Executive Session Committee Minutes

#### APPROVED:

- Executive Session Meeting Minutes from March 13, 2018

#### HEARINGS/MEETINGS:


- Two (2) hearings held for Violation of Rules – Pet Owners Responsibility
- One (1) hearing held for Violation of Rules – Prohibited Parking (obstructing sidewalk and roadway)
- One (1) hearing held for Violation of Rules – Prohibited Parking (obstructing roadway) and Beach Parking

#### REVIEWED/DISCUSSED:

- Legal correspondence
- IDR Update – Privacy Fence
- IDR Update – Driveway
- IDR Update – Tree Removal
- Delinquency reports

NOTE: The NSCA Board of Directors meets the 2nd 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, MAY 9, 2018  
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May 3 • 6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

The art season in Laguna Beach flourishes year round with First Thursdays Art Walk. This educational monthly art event celebrates the diverse cultural art scene of Laguna Beach and is free to the public.

**Laguna Beach Gate & Garden Tour**

May 4 • 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

This event features ten fancy private gardens along a three-quarter-mile walking route and includes a quarter-acre formal garden with ocean views. Ticket are \$45.00 in advance and are available at [www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org](http://www.lagunabeachgardenclub.org)



**Chili Cook Off – Swallow’s Inn**  
May 5

The Swallow’s Inn annual Chili Cook Off is back! Gates open at noon. \$5.00 gets you in the gate to enjoy chili sampling, beer, music, and dancing as chili heads compete for this regional title. Music provided by Family Style and Jann Browne.

**Cinco de Mayo Fiesta**

May 5 • 2:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Max Berg Plaza Park

1100 Calle Puente. • San Clemente

Celebrate culture, food and entertainment in the Spanish Village by the Sea!

Entertainment begins at 2:00 p.m.

Food trucks, petting zoo, train, crafts, and games.



**Bulky Item Drop Off**

May 12 • 7:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.

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Residents can drop off their bulky items for FREE. Bring e-waste, green waste, large appliances, furniture, and other bulky items. Document shredding services offered to Dana Point residents. For more information contact Jennifer Anderson at 949-248-3571 or [janderson@danapoint.org](mailto:janderson@danapoint.org).

**Whale Walk - Dana Point Interpretive Center**

May 12 • 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

34558 Scenic Drive • Dana Point

**Dana Point Science Night**

May 17 • 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

Dana Point Community Center

34052 Del Obispo Street

Experience hands-on activities in a family friendly format.

For information email [DPnaturalresources@danapoint.org](mailto:DPnaturalresources@danapoint.org)

**Doheny Blues Festival**

May 19-20

Sea Terrace Park

Pacific Coast Highway and Niguel Road

The Doheny Blues Festival has created a festival environment for the last 21 years. There are three alternating stages of blues, rock and soul music, legendary artists, microbrews, and an eclectic vendor village. This nationally recognized festival has welcomed a mix of music legends and rock headliners, and the 2018 lineup will not disappoint. Tickets available through StubHub and discount tickets may still be available in our NSCA office.



**LAGUNA CRAFT GUILD**

May 27 • 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. • Admission Free

Main Beach Cobblestones

The Craft Guild exhibits downtown Laguna Beach on the cobblestone of Main Beach. They represent a variety of art mediums, potters, glassblowers, textile artists, jewelers and others as well.



**Memorial Day Service**

May 28 – All day

The VFW Post 9934 and the City of Dana Point will present a Memorial

Day Service honoring the sacrifices made by our nation to earn our freedom. The “Boots and Rifle” ceremony will be conducted by officers of Post 9934, and the bugle call TAPS played by master of the trumpet, David Longoria. For more information go to [vfwpost9934@cox.net](mailto:vfwpost9934@cox.net)



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