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## ANNOUNCING NIGUEL SHORES COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INTERIM BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### NSCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2020-21

President	Bob Russell
1st Vice President	Lynn Bushnell
2nd Vice President	Pat Pearson
Chief Financial Officer	Marc McCarthy
Secretary	Mike Link

#### NSCA BOARD LIAISON POSITIONS

Architecture	Lynn Bushnell
Communication	Mike Link
Emergency Preparedness	Bob Russell
Finance	Marc McCarthy
Human Resources	Lynn Bushnell
Landscape	Lynn Bushnell
Maintenance	Pat Pearson
Recreation	Bob Russell
Rules	Bob Russell
Traffic and Safety	Mike Link
View Preservation	Lynn Bushnell

## THE NEXT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING WILL BE HELD ON THE **2<sup>nd</sup> WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020**



Sunday, June 21





Niguel Shores Vista

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#### NSCA Annual Meeting and Election

has been postponed until further notice.

Please check your email and the Niguel Shores website for up to date information. www.niguelshores.org







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## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

#### **Annual Meeting/Election:**

The Niguel Shores Community Association Annual Meeting and Election has been postponed until we can safely gather in the Clubhouse. We still need your ballots submitted prior to the date. If you have not yet voted, submit your ballot as soon as possible so that there will be not additional delays when we are able to hold this meeting.

For your convenience there are several ways in which the ballots can be submitted this year:

- Place in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided with the election material.
- Deliver to Accurate Voting Services, 18 Technology Drive, Suite 142, Irvine, CA
- Deliver to the Management Office and place in the BALLOT BOX outside the front door.
- Deliver to the Management Office and place in the MAILBOX under the flagpole to the right of the stairs before you enter the Community Center.
- Present in person at the Annual Meeting (date still pending) prior to the polls closing.

As things move forward and we are able to host this meeting you will receive notification.

#### **Interim Board:**

The Board received resignations from Dick Kichline and Jeannie Sticher on May 14, leaving two vacancies on the Board. In accordance with the law and governing documents, the remaining members of the Board appointed the following two individuals to fill these positions until the Annual

#### **NIGUEL SHORES TENNIS HOURS:**

8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Residents Only

#### **NIGUEL SHORES PICKLEBALL HOURS:**

DROP-IN PLAY 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Mon. to Sat.

#### **OPEN PLAY**

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Mon. to Sat. 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.(Wed./Fri. only) Residents Only

#### NIGUEL SHORES BEACH BLUFF PARKING POLICY: Residents Only

Election can take place. Congratulations to Mike Link and Pat Pearson on filling the positions on an interim basis.

#### **Email Communication:**

We are trying to keep the entire community informed on a regular basis as things continue to change during these crazy times. The best way for us to do that is to send an email blast. We currently have an email list with most of the community, but if you are not receiving regular updates it may be because we do not have your email address. Contact the office at your earliest convenience and your email will be added to the current list.

#### Seashore News:

As you are aware, the *Seashore News* was published online but was not printed or delivered door-to-door during the months of April and May due to COVID-19 concerns. We are happy to say the news is back in print and will be delivered to residents this month. However, please remember that if you do not get the *Seashore News* you can find it easily by going to *www.niguelshores.org*.

#### **Contact Us:**

If you need assistance, do not hesitate to contact the Management Office at (949) 493-0122.

WE (Selebrate YOU!

Happy Father's Day and Congratulations to our Niguel Shores 2020 Graduates

—from the Niguel Shores Staff!

*—Marla Miller* 

#### **OFFICE APPOINTMENT POLICY**

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the NSCA Office will be locked during regular business hours and

#### **Open By Appoinment Only**

#### For an appointment, please call 949-493-0122 or email our staff:

Blayke Miller at *bmiller@niguelshores.org* Matt Northrop at *mnorthrop@niguelshores.org* Karen Decker at *kdecker@niguelshores.org* Marla Miller at *mmiller@niguelshores.org* THANK YOU FOR YOUR UNDERSTANDING — STAY SAFE!

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

## WWW.NIGUELSHORES.ORG

During times like these when residents need and want updates on our Niguel Shores community, there's no better place to look than the Niguel Shores website at *www. niguelshores.org.* 



The NSCA Board, the Communications Committee, and the NSCA management team in the office are regularly posting information to keep you informed. With a click of the mouse, you can learn what is open or closed, when and how a meeting will take place, what activities are happening, and whom to contact if needed.

On the website you can leave a comment, obtain homeowner forms, see NSCA Committee reports, view photo galleries of our events, and open links to local organizations beyond our gates.

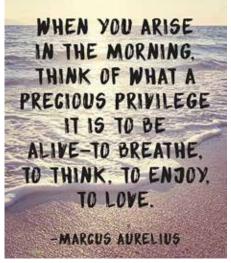
Current issues of the Seashore News are posted every month on the website so you can enjoy all the stories and photos—all pages in color. Take a look!

We encourage all our residents to make a habit of checking the Niguel Shores website regularly at *www.niguelshores.org*. —*Patti Staudenbaur* 

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

As you read this June edition, the Coronavirus news might not have improved much in the health or economic outlook.

BUT, living here in the Shores does have some positive points we should be thankful for—so let's think on those for a moment.



- In our gated community we have a reduced exposure to the foot and vehicle traffic that exists in more public places. We can walk our streets and greenbelts with greater safety, social distancing, and less automobile activity.
- AND, very few environments along the Pacific Coast have the unique bluff and coastal access we do, allowing recreation and proximity to the beach and ocean.

- As restrictions open up, our Community Center is perfect for social activities, recreational pursuits, or just plain Rand R.
- AND, look at our support group—the Niguel Shores management, office staff, maintenance team, gate and patrol service, landscape crew, and the NSCA Board made up of our own neighbors volunteering to run our community in the most efficient and beneficial way.

Where am I going with this? Since the pandemic started, we have likely felt more frustrated or annoyed these days. But focusing on the positive helps us better absorb the negative. Just look around in the Niguel Shores environment and appreciate what we have.

Reminding ourselves what we're GRATEFUL for is one of the most powerful ways we can boost what mental health experts call the psychological immune system. This keeps us mentally resilient.



Experts recommend focusing on what you can control. Acknowledge that life is tough right now and don't beat yourself up for feeling bad. Research shows that GRATITUDE is a huge psychological booster. People who practice being GRATEFUL report significantly higher levels of happiness and well-being than those who do not.

SMILE. Say THANK YOU! Focus on the future. Think of the reunions and gatherings awaiting us with family and friends. Imagine how good it will feel to get back to things we took for granted not so long ago.

GRATITUDE and APPRECIATION help us realize things are not as bad as we make them out to be initially. GRATITUDE makes us RESILENT!

Just go outside in your neighborhood or walk down to our bluff, and SMILE, and say THANK YOU.

-Kent Wellbrock

## **RECREATION COMMITTEE**

Recreation events for June and July are currently on hold. As updates are available they will be provided

to the community. Check the Niguel Shores website at www.niguelshores. org and your email for

faster updates.



Please continue to be safe and enjoy the natural beauty of our community with your safe distancing.

—Maria Elena Banks

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

## TRAFFIC AND SAFETY

#### **Register Your Guests**

Summer is almost here, and with it will start an influx of visitors to our community. To avoid frustration or delays at the gate, please remember to update your guest lists. Should you anticipate ten or fewer visitors, you can deliver a list to the gate or register them online. A list of more than ten guests should be given to the office staff several business days before the event for registry.

#### Who ... me!

Ultimately, we as hosts are responsible for the conduct of our guests. That includes any damage they cause to community property or fines that they accumulate for parking violations and like offenses.

#### **Parking Violations**

Recently, a number of overnight parking citations were issued to guests parked in a fashion that partially obstructed safe traffic movement. Please caution your guests.

#### **Car Burglaries**

This past month we had two more incidents where a car clout, during hours of darkness, broke into locked parked cars and stole items of value. This thief's pattern of operation at one time was common, but in today's world it is highly unusual as the break-in would be considered a felony. Police reports were made in anticipation of finding the suspect. One piece of advice is if you park your car or truck outside, continue locking it and don't leave anything of value inside it.

-God Bless ... Tim Murphy



## **JUNE 2020**

Mandau	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Monday					Sunday
1	2	3	4	5	6
9:00 Architecture Committee via zoom	10:00 Recreation Committee via zoom			10:30 Communication Committee via zoom	7
8	9	10	11	12	13
AC DEADLINE – 12:00		6:00 NSCA Gen. Session Board Mtg. via zoom	TENNIS COURTS CLOSED <u>UNTIL</u> 2PM for Cleaning		14
15 9:00 Architecture Committee via	16	17	18	19	20 Summer Begins
zoom					Happy Father's Day!
22	23	24	25	26	27
4:00 Finance Committee		STREET SWEEPING	TENNIS COURTS CLOSED <u>UNTIL</u> 2PM for Cleaning		28
29 AC DEADLINE – 12:00	30	Mariner Gatehouse:	w.niguelshores.org 493-0122 • Fax (949) 3 (949) 487-4185 • www.u : (949) 770-6011Non-	dwellinglive.com	

## CLUBS

## WOMEN'S CLUB

Just imagine being a kid again anxiously waiting for summer vacation. That is what I feel with our gradual liberation from the quarantine! Our lives and habits have certainly changed throughout the past couple of months, probably better for our health and safety. However, as California lifts our quarantine restrictions, the "unknown" makes it very difficult to plan the traditional events we have all enjoyed in the past. We missed being together for our April and May luncheons, but I am going to be positive and make tentative plans for our June events.

Please note that you all have the independent liberty to decide if you are ready to join in social gatherings!

As I write this article, the Clubhouse multi-purpose room restrictions have not been lifted, but there is a possibility we could gather at the Bluff bringing our own lunches and maintaining a social distance. Most important we would have time to be together! Watch for an email invitation on June 4 with more information for members about the possibility of such an event.

Outside activities will definitely resume this month. On June 18, we will meet in front of the Clubhouse at 9:30 a.m. and walk together via the Ritz Carlton beach route.

We need committee volunteers in order to continue the wonderful events we plan every year. Below I have a list of **Committee Signups** for the 2020-2021 NSWC year. Please choose whatever committees suit you and email Terry Link at *tjlink630@gmail.com*. It would be delightful to have every member of our club involved on a committee! I encourage you to sign up for something where your time and talents would be put to good use.

#### **Committee Signups:**

Hospitality (choose one): Help us set up for luncheons; purchase supplies; wash tablecloths; wash silverware.

- Welcome: Greet and seat members as they arrive.
- Outside Activities: Help us plan outings.
- 4th of July Party (choose one): Help us plan the event; serve; clean up.
- Holiday Party (choose one): Help us plan the event; decorate; serve; clean up.
- **Home Tour:** Help us plan and carry out the event.
- **Fashion Show:** Help us plan and carry out the event.

Thank you to all our members for supporting the Women's Club, a Niguel Shores tradition of fun, friendship, and service for nearly fifty years!

-Terry Link

## MEN'S CLUB

#### Best Breakfast in Town

Phone calls to **Tim Murphy** and **Roy Dohner** gave me a new appreciation for the **Five Cooking Teams** that produce the excellent breakfasts for our Men's Club meetings twice a month. I even learned a bit about the breakfast history. Tim says he enjoys these meals so much that he eats only one breakfast every



Tim Murphy

two weeks—ours. The club's dedication to making people happy through good food keeps nearly every member active in their roles, and all members are on one of the five teams to cook or clean up.

Our lead cooks are excellent because of their experience or their willingness to learn from those that have experience. We were fortunate to have the skills of **Jack Sweeney**, unfortunately now passed from our view, who was the head cook of all head cooks. Using his training as a cook for our U.S. Army, he led or influenced all five teams for about 20 years and managed special events such as Oktoberfest. One lead cook, **Bob Enger**, was overseer of his army mess hall. Another, **Mike Roberts**, was a cook for our U.S Navy.

Some other members who have served our breakfast teams for years are **Jack Christiansen**, who put more in than 20 years of effective overall leadership, stepping up

to do whatever was needed with real leadership and caring. Involved for years have been **Bob Russell**, **Bob Gutknecht**, **Boyd Van Ness** and **Blair McDonald**. Current excellence and leadership are coming from **Steve Morris**, **Rob Wollin**, **Al Glatt**, **Bob Baker**, **Len Beebe**, **Jon Cobain**, **Geoff Dunlevie** and others. *There is so much talent will*-



Roy Dohner

*ing to step up!* For example, for 19 straight years **Roy Dohner** has led the hugely successful July 4th Pancake Breakfast. **Eric Eckes** has agreed to make the Octoberfest his baby going forward with German food and music, as we witnessed under his terrific leadership on the event this last year.

At our meetings, a token \$5 buys the **Best Breakfast in Town** always consisting of eggs, meat, muffin, fruit, juice and coffee. It's as fresh as possible since the lead cooks buy food and get it ready on Monday and then come

## CLUBS

in at 6:00 a.m. Tuesday to prepare it. The cleanup team steps in later for easy work because the cooks wash up pots and pans while the cookware is hot and easy to clean. Tim remarked that he is impressed because the food is promptly ready to serve our large group at precisely 8:00 a.m. each meeting as members arrive.

#### Men's Club Scholarships

The club expresses its admiration for **Dick Kichline** and the conscientious Men's Club Scholarship Team of **Al Glatt, Jon Cobain** and **Karl Kuhn** who each year select two deserving local high school students to receive \$1000 toward their education. Each recipient,



Dick Kichline

along with family, is invited to speak to the club during the scholarship award presentation. Dick became the Scholarship Committee Chair, replacing **Bob Borland** who passed away last year; and Bob had replaced **Jerry Pearl.** Each of these leaders eagerly took on their roles that bring a little bit of financial help and a lot of appreciation to the student recipients. Details about the current scholarship recipients **Jackson Fleming** and **James Gannaway** can be found on pages 10 and 11 of this issue.

All men in Niguel Shores are invited to attend a complimentary breakfast meeting of the Men's Club to see if membership is for them.

-C. W. Gruenig

## GARDEN CLUB

During these extraordinary pandemic times your Garden Club officers hope all members are safe and enjoying their gardens (with or without a face mask). Because planning future activities is so uncertain, your officers feel we must revamp how we move forward as a club.

By the time you read this issue of the *Seashore News* you will have received an email outlining how we proceed.

The good news is that we will plan to have our yearend Beach Bluff Get-Together on June 15 (provided we maintain proper social distances).

As the club has done for many years, we participate in the California Garden Club project called *Penny Pines*. We contribute money to this project that sends our contributions to the National Forests to purchase a plot of trees in memory or honor of one of our club members, some who have gone to the pearly gates of heaven.

We recently sent a contribution to the local Cleveland National Forest for a plot of trees to be planted in memory of our club member, **Lt. Col Robert (Bob) Borland, retired USAF.** As we all know, Bob was the club's Master (or should I say Master Extraordinaire) BBQ chief for our many Beach Bluff end-of-the-club-year parties. I'm hoping some day to find his tree plot on Mt. Palomar.

—Karl Kuhn

P.S. Thanks to Nadine Allen, our Garden Club president, for the beautiful photo of the echium plant and Niguel Shores vista on the front page of this issue.

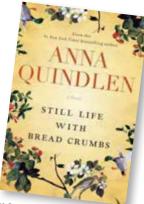
## **ACTIVITIES**

## PAGE TURNERS

**Page Turners** held their past three month's meetings via Zoom, and it has been an interesting experience with everyone learning a new technology. This month we are hoping to have our bi-annual joint meeting of all three groups in person in our Clubhouse.

We will be discussing Anna Quindlen's novel *Still Life with Bread Crumbs*. In the words of the publisher, this is a "Brilliantly written, powerfully observed ... deeply moving

and often very funny story of unexpected love, and a stunningly crafted journey into the life of a woman, her heart, her mind, her days, as she discovers that life is a story with



many levels, a story that is longer and more exciting than she ever imagined."

This is the time of year when members vote to select the nine books we will be reading in the 2020/2021 year. Members have suggested 24 books which we will research and discuss before voting prior to the joint June meeting.

Page Turners groups meet on the fourth Monday and Thursday of the month. For information on the Thursday groups please contact

**Steve** and **Ann Morris** at *samwrsi@cox.net* and for the Monday group, me at *fozimec@cox.net*.

-Frances Ozimec

## ACTIVITIES

### **BRIDGE CLUB**

The **Niguel Shores Bridge Club** is missing their regular meetings in our Clubhouse. At this time they are discussing ways to modify their play so they can maintain social distance and stay safe. Some suggestions are the use of masks



and using new playing cards. Regardless, they are all anxious to get back to playing and will keep members informed when the opportunity for play presents itself. We are looking forward to seeing each other soon.

-Bob French

## Wellness...

A nother Zoom meeting has come to an end. As I pick up my empty coffee cup and collect my meeting notes, I realize how lucky we are, in the midst of this pandemic, to be able to connect with others via the internet. Between my weekly business meeting, book club, Bible study, client coaching sessions—like you, I'm online a lot!

I'm grateful for the internet's existence, but I know it can be addicting. It can stifle our creative process,

gobble up time like nobody's business, open a door for hackers to steal our identity, and also create a wide range of physical and emotional issues in a person's life when overused. Nevertheless, without online access our communicating with others, working from home, teaching students, and meetings of all types would be diminished today if reduced only to phone conversations.

As I express my gratitude

for the internet's existence, especially during the Coronavirus pandemic, the irony is that as wonderful as it is, it does have a lot of down sides. With its advent have come the growth of video and social media platforms like Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and YouTube. These are fun and creative ways to connect with family and friends, but too much time spent on the screen can take a



toll on one's physical and mental health. Just some of the physical effects of spending an inordinate amount of time online, as well as working at a computer offline, are backache, headache, insomnia, neck pain, and dry eyes. And that is just the short list! Long term physical problems due to extended sitting may also be hypertension, weight gain, and cardiovascular disease. Speaking of physical ailments, the internet also can breed very intense levels of hypochondriasis in vulnerable people searching to find a diagnosis for a litany of physical symptoms, imagined or otherwise.

Then there are the emotional manifestations of overuse of the internet, such as depression, anxiety,



isolation, agitation, and mood swings. We also have to mention how powerful social media can be, especially with young people, when cyberbullying enters the arena. We've all either read about or know someone who has been the victim of bullying and threatening behavior online leading to often frightening and tragic outcomes.

All these symptoms of internet over usage, whether they are physical or emotional, have the

potential to be detrimental to the health of the individual as well as the community. Recognizing the symptoms and reducing time spent online will help us have a healthier relationship with cyberspace and all its social media connections, shopping opportunities, and information overload. The internet and technology can joyfully bring us together, but just as easily isolate us from one another.

So, during this time of intense online usage, be mindful of you and your family's internet habits. Too much screen time? Take a walk, work in the garden, or call a friend instead! And you can still be on time for your next Zoom meeting!

-Sharon Stewart, RN

To Your Health! Sharon Stewart RN, Health Coach, Sharon@SharonStewartRN.com

## SPORTS

## NIGUEL SHORES TENNIS TALENT

If you frequent the tennis courts, you have probably noticed **Kai Abarca**, our young resident Tennis Phenom who is out there working on his skills an average of two hours per day. Like many others, I have wondered about his incredible abilities, so I asked him for some background information for our newsletter. I also requested some photos he could share since he is way too fast to catch on any camera I own!

Kai has lived in Niguel Shores with his family since 2011. You can tell from his response in the letter below that Kai apparently writes as well as he plays tennis, even if he downplays his talent. Smart residents will save themselves embarrassment if they avoid challenging him to a game, and instead ask him to autograph a ball before his signature becomes collectible!

-Jennifer Rose





#### Here is Kai's letter: *Hi*,



My name is Kai Abarca and I am 11 years old. I currently go to St. Anne's School and I'm in the 5th grade. My favorite sport is tennis and I train a minimum of 15 hours a week and play tennis tournaments most weekends. I practice primarily with my coach Sebastian and my dad at the Niguel Shores tennis courts. I also train with the Brymer & Lewis Tennis Academy twice a week. Niguel Shores does a great job maintaining the courts and it is nice to have access to 3 courts in the neighborhood.

I was able to reach the #1 singles ranking in USTA SoCal Section in Boys 10s (aged out now) & in Boys 12s I am currently sitting at 24 out of 400+ players. SoCal is one of the hardest sections in the USTA along with Southern, Texas & Florida Sections. I am starting to play National tournaments and hope to reach the top 100 by end of year. Hopefully I can make it to the pro or a good college level but tennis is a very humbling sport and there is always someone out there handing out bagels (in tennis lingo "bagel" means you didn't win a game!).

Thanks for reading! You can support me by following me on Instagram @kaiabarca.

## Family Strong — Our 2020 Grads

Let us keep all the graduates of 2020 in our thoughts and prayers. These grads, along with the students in classes coming up behind them, have experienced a school year unlike any in recent times.

They have done their best to learn from online teachers through prompts on screens, but these past months they could not participate in the usual activities that make up school year memories.

They have not been able to gather socially or interact freely with classmates. The student-athletes had their spring season cancelled. Music and drama students lost the opportunity to perform for peers and families. Scholars taking AP classes and college exams had test scores skewed or nullified and may have to retake them



for an accurate score. Traditional senior activities such as prom, baccalaureate, and graduation were postponed or cancelled.

Our 2020 grads will soon be alumni on their way to a future still uncertain. Let's show support wherever we can to the graduates we honor on the following pages and to all students graduating this year.

From the Seashore News to the Class of 2020: Cheers for your determined spirit, compliments on your achievements, and best wishes for a successful and fulfilling future!

## SPOTLIGHT

**Taylor Dunlevie** graduated May 9 from Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio, where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work. Taylor is a graduate of JSerra Catholic High School in San Juan Capistrano. She will go on to graduate studies at Texas Christian University in Fort Worth where she will be completing her Master's Degree in Clinical Social Work. Congratulations on earning your Bachelor's Degree, Taylor, and best wishes as you pursue your career goals in social work.

James Fermelia is graduating from Dana Hills High School as a class Valedictorian and AP Scholar with Distinction. He has been awarded the Spanish Seal of Bi-Literacy and is a member of both the National Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation. He was involved in numerous activities on campus, including serving as Dolphin Ambassador, member of the Lacrosse Team as well as the 2017 CIF-SS Division 1 Championship Swim and Dive Team. In addition to his school activities, James participated on the Crew Team at Newport Sea Base Rowing, volunteered with Orange County Junior Lifeguards, was a regular Altar Server at St. Edwards Church, and acted as a cast member for the Pageant of the Masters in Laguna Beach. James will be completing his EMT certification this month. He is heading to the University of California, Berkeley this fall. Congratulations, James, on your many accomplishments.

Songratulations





Jackson Fleming was born and raised here in Niguel Shores. He is graduating from Dana Hills High School with honors as a Valedictorian ranked number 1 of 608 graduating seniors. Jackson is an AP Scholar with Distinction and a member of the National Honor Society and the California Scholarship Federation. In addition to his academic accomplishments, he was the DHHS California American Legion Boys' State Delegate Nominee, a DHHS Junior Honor Guard, and a DHHS Special Olympics volunteer. Jackson played Varsity Baseball for Dana Hills and was recruited by several highly ranked academic schools to play baseball. Jackson is actively involved in his community, participating in children's outreach programs and the Special Olympics at Dana Hills High School. He has decided to attend Pomona College in the fall where he will major in Economics and benefit from Pomona's partnership with Harvard Business School. Jackson is very proud to have been awarded a **Niguel Shores Men's Club Scholarship** to further his education. Congratulations and much success to you, Jackson.

## SPOTLIGHT



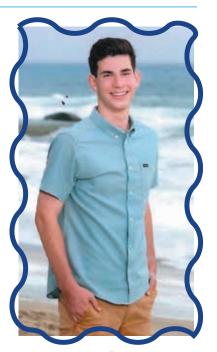
Cole Flynn grew up in Niguel Shores and graduated from Capistrano Valley Christian School in May. He played Varsity Football for Capistrano Valley and was involved in numerous community service projects at school as well. Cole applied and was accepted to several colleges for Aviation Studies, including Arizona State University, Cal Baptist University and Southern Utah University. He has chosen to stay close to home and will begin Orange Coast College in June, entering their FAA Training Program where he will study Aviation and Commercial Flight. Cole's goal is to become a professional pilot. We wish you well, Cole, as you begin this exciting career path.

Jack Gannaway lives here in Niguel Shores and is graduating from Mater Dei High School with a 4.0 grade point average. While consistently enrolled in academically challenging courses at Mater Dei, Jack also was part of their highly ranked water polo and swim teams. He is involved in the community by participating in the Special Olympics, the Share Ourselves organization that serves children and families in need, and Play Well Africa that donates to children in Uganda. At Mater Dei, Jack organized the "Unplugged Club," where students take a break from the pressures of academics and entertain one another with laughter, creativity and physical movement. Jack will be attending Santa Clara University, where he plans to major in Business at the Leavey School of Business. Jack has been honored with a Niguel Shores Men's Club Scholarship to further his education. Wishing you much success at Santa Clara University, Jack.





Annika Gino graduated from Lee University in Cleveland, Tennessee this spring. Annika grew up on Coronado Island and moved to Niguel Shores her freshman year of high school. She attended Saddleback Valley Christian School where she played on the girl's golf team. While attending Lee University, Annika continued her passion for golf. She was named Captain of the Women's Golf Team and achieved three-time Academic All-American and All Conference Team status. Annika graduates with a Bachelor's Degree in Communications and Graphic Design. Congratulations and very best wishes, Annika, as you begin this exciting next chapter.



**Matthew Rosenthal** is a Niquel Shores resident graduating from St. Margaret's Episcopal School in June. At St. Margaret's, Matthew was President of St. Margret's Principal's Cabinet, Team Captain of the Engineering Club, Publicity Chair for MUN. He received numerous academic honors. including being named a National Merit Commended Scholar, an AP Scholar with Distinction, and induction into St. Margret's Chapter of the Cum Laude Society. In addition to academics, he is a Level 10 Merit Pianist and also a CIF ranked tennis player on the Varsity Tennis Team. He participates in ACEing Autism, a unique program that helps children with autism participate in tennis. Matthew's community involvement included serving as Treasurer for the Dana Point Youth Board. Matthew has chosen to attend the University of Chicago, where he will major in Engineering and minor in Environmental Studies. Congratulations on your accomplishments, Matthew, and best wishes at the University of Chicago.



Meet **OAKLEY!** She is a unique Labradoodle with straight hair. Even though Oakley is seven years old, she still thinks she's a puppy. She loves to play ball, go for



walks in Niguel Shores and socialize with everyone—such a happy girl! Her highlight is bringing in three newspapers every day for her family, **Dale** and **Dar Kreinkamp**. Be sure to wave if you see Oakley out for a walk with them. This four-year-old Goldendoodle is **FINNEGAN**, aka

"Fynn." His family, Meg and Gary Wilson, say, "You may have seen Fynn looking down at you in the Community Center from the bench in our Windjammer backyard. Fynn loves people and will actually give his favorite ones a big smile when he sees them. He loves children and playing with other dogs. He enjoys his many long walks through Niguel Shores."



These two Labradors live the good life at the **Rausch** house. *HOPE* is eight months old, and *CAPTAIN* will be five in July.



*SIMON* is a Goldendoodle, age ten. His friend *MAX*, a Labradoodle, is seven. When **Kathy Newport's** dog passed away in October, her son and family loaned their dog Simon to keep her company during the stay-at-home

time. Max lives with Leslie Moore around the corner from Kathy and Simon. Simon meets up often with best bud Max, and sometimes there are three when Leslie's daughter comes to visit with Max's sister **BODI**, Kathy says, "The two Labradoodle siblings literally pulled us across the street for a



meet and greet when they saw me walking with Simon. So cute how all the Doodles immediately love each other!"

## Hello Niguel Shores Neighbors!

My name is **Tikka**. I am a **Canine Companions for Independence** (CCI) puppy in training. My handler is **Lorraine Campanaro**. I'm living with Lorraine and her husband, **Gary**, for about 18 months until I go to professional training at the CCI regional training center in Oceanside. I will stay there for about 9 months until I am matched to a person with a disability and become their assistance service dog. It's a job that I am excited to begin and I was bred to love!

I was born in Santa Rosa, California, along with 7 litter mates. I was in a "T" litter, which means my name had to start with a T. My dad is a pure bred black labrador retriever and my mom is a mix of golden retriever and yellow lab.

I am learning all kinds of new things in this big, wonderful world, but especially learning to trust and bond with Lorraine. She gives me lots of scratches and snuggles, which I love! She's currently teaching me 15 commands and will eventually teach me about 30 commands before I leave her.



I really do like to say "Hi" to all people and dogs. However, sometimes I am working so it's best to ask Lorraine if I am able to greet you.

Lorraine and Gary have three children grown children: Amanda (26), Justin (25) and Daniel (21).



When Daniel is home visiting from University of California, Santa Barbara, I get to spend time with him.

I hear Lorraine telling people that there are two reasons why she decided to be a volunteer puppy raiser for CCI. The first is she had a friend who has been doing it for ten years and is a good mentor. Secondly, Lorraine was looking for a way to make a difference in the world (however small), and helping someone who struggles every day with a severe disability would be a rewarding experience.

Lorraine and Gary had two dogs for many years but both passed away in 2018. After grieving their dogs and moving to Niguel Shores, the timing seemed perfect to raise a CCI Puppy. Many people ask Lorraine how she will be able to give me up after 18 months, but really, the answer is simple. Lorraine knows that I will always love her and that I have a bigger mission to accomplish. It's sort of like raising kids and sending them off to college to pursue their goals in life. In the end, if I don't get matched after all my training, I get to be adopted by Lorraine and Gary! Either way, it's a win-win for me!

Before I say goodbye, if you see me out and about with Lorraine here in Niguel Shores, know that I would really love to stop and play, but it is best to check with Lorraine first!

-Tikka

## SPORTS

## PICKLEBALL

Niguel Shores has re-opened the Pickleball courts with some new guidelines. As we are all trying to practice social and physical distancing, these guidelines will be in place until further notice.

#### PICKLEBALL PLAY DETAILS:

- With 2 courts available to play, we have both drop-in and open play.
- Drop-in play: Monday-Saturday, 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. Paddle wheel to be used.
- Open play: Monday-Saturday, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Wednesday/Friday evenings 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Open play will be booked through the Niguel Shores website reservation system. You can play for (one) 1 hour, unless no one is waiting or has a reservation.

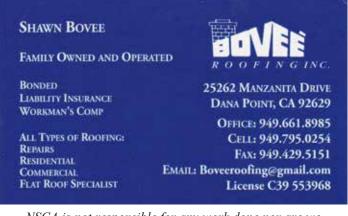
#### PICKLEBALL RESERVATIONS FOR OPEN PLAY:

- Reservation booking time begins at 12:01 a.m. each day.
- Log into *www.niguelshores.org*.
- Click on Tennis & Pickleball (top of page).
- Scroll down to Pickleball and click.
- You can book a court for 60 minutes with your name, address and email address. Book only once per day.
- You will receive an email confirmation for your reservation.
- There is a cancellation option at the end of your confirmation email.

#### **HONOR SYSTEM:**

We are using the honor system on the reservations, so please do not overbook your play time. We want all to have an opportunity to play! There is a "no guest" policy for Pickleball until further notice. We want to give residents priority in play.

Please limit your open play booking to three (3) times a week maximum to allow availability to all who would like to play without one group monopolizing the court times.



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#### **EQUIPMENT:**

- You need to bring your own balls for play. There will be no community balls.
- The paddle wheel will be stationed outside the gate to help with "no grouping" inside the court areas.
- You are responsible for your own sanitizer and gloves/masks.

#### **DISTANCING:**

- Physical distancing is a must outside the court areas while waiting to play. Please stay six (6) feet apart!
- Players are asked not to show up any earlier than ten (10) minutes before reservation time and should leave immediately following play.
- Reminder: Restrooms are closed.
- Pickleball Court Closures due to cleaning in June:
- Pickleball courts will be cleaned on Thursdays June 11 and 25, and are not available for play on these dates.
   —Steve Barrett

## TENNIS

The tennis courts are OPEN at Niguel Shores! The courts have been in heavy use because we've all been cooped up so long, so you will want to reserve at the Niguel Shores online reservation site if you'd like to make sure a court is available at your preferred time. Go to *http://www.niguelshores. org/tennis/* and scroll all the way down to the "Appointment Info" reservation section. The courts can be reserved up to a week in advance. Remember, if you want to play doubles for 2 hours you need to make two consecutive reservations.

We still aren't out of the woods with the Coronavirus so, if you are not playing with members of your own living group or family, consider practicing "No Touch Tennis" by having both you and your opponent's open ball cans with 2 different numbers. Then you only pick up the balls you brought, and roll or foot-lift and hit any balls of your opponent back to them to pick up. This is the system being recommended and used at many private clubs right now. Remember to still sanitize your hands after touching anything others may have touched, such as gate doors and squeegee handles.

If you are not yet on our tennis match/contact list, please submit your phone and email address and include your level of play, as well as whether you prefer singles, doubles or mixed matches. All levels are welcome! Send your info to Jennifer Rose at *4oceanbreeze@gmail.com*.

Anyone interested in having input to our players' Tennis Information Committee, please contact Don Baer at either (949) 422-9140 or *pacific92629@yahoo.com*.

—Jennifer Rose

## MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

This month we are happy to introduce our neighbors on Gourami Bay, **Kristina Dodge** and her **four daughters.** Kristina is thrilled to be living in Niguel Shores and enjoys her work as a realtor with Harcourts Prime Properties in Monarch Beach Plaza. Her oldest daughter, Laurenz, is a student at Chapman University, majoring in Environmental Science and Documentary Film making. Though not a full-time resident, **Laurenz** is often home here in the

Shores with her mom and her sisters, nine-year-old triplets, **Tatiana**, **Coco**, and **Alexandra**.

Kristina and the girls previously lived in Monarch Bay with her husband, **Larry**, who passed away in 2016. Knowing the area and desiring a sense of community, Kristina sought a home to rent in our special community while looking for a permanent home to buy in Niguel Shores.

Kristina says, "We've been here nearly a year now, and love every minute of it. We know that we

are blessed to live in such a beautiful place."

Kristina's story is quite interesting. She is a native of Omaha, Nebraska, one of seven children. Her parents, who emigrated from Lithuania, still live in the Midwest, and Kristina and the girls go back to visit with all the relatives whenever possible.

Kristina and Larry met in Kansas City and married a year later in a lovely wedding. At age 27, Larry became the youngest CEO of a national insurance group and then built his own company, American Sterling Corporation. During their years before children, they traveled around the world in thirty-five days, toured Europe in private Gulfstreams, were invited to the White House, met many famous people and became philanthropists. They made a multi-million dollar gift to Chapman University, establishing the Lawrence and Kristina Dodge College of Film and Media Arts. Their philanthropy also extended to St. Margaret Episcopal School and the Segerstrom Center. Unfortunately, they lost their personal wealth in the recession of 2008.

Kristina readily admits, "Going through difficulties has given us all a greater dimension of compassion and understanding for others. I always tell my kids, 'If someone doesn't smile back at you, they may be having a tough day, just don't judge them. Always be respectful and kind.'"

The Dodge family loves the community of Niguel Shores. Kristina says, "Neighbors have welcomed us with open arms." Yes! Apple pie, a pot of chili, and treats for the kids have been part of that welcoming. The triplets love our com-

munity's Halloween Party and Fourth of July and are looking forward to more family events here. They continue to meet neighbors on dog walks with 15-year-old Lulu and visits to the bluff. The beach is their happy place.

Kristina belongs to the Women's Club, loves to read, and hopes to attend more book club meetings. Besides being a busy realtor, she is also writing a memoir and has been approached by Simon and Schuster for

Simon and Schuster for publication. We wish her success in this endeavor. She looks forward to more involvement in our community as often as two jobs and triplets allow her the time to do so!

We welcome Kristina, Laurenz, Tatiana, Coco and Alexandra to Niguel Shores. We hope you keep enjoying the bluff, the beach, the beauty, and especially the people of our seaside community.

*—Michelle Ralph* 



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Kristina, Laurenz, Tatiana, Coco, Alexandra and their dog, Lulu

## BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

#### MAY 13, 2020 BOARD MEETING: (General Session)

ACCEPTED AND FILED: —Unaudited February and March 2020 Financial Reports

—General Session Committee Minutes

#### **APPROVED:**

-General Session Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for March 17, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for March 23, 2020 —General Session Meeting Minutes for April 6, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2020 -General Session Meeting Minutes for May 4, 2020 —May 2020 Expense and Transfer (Actual) -Ratify Approval for April 2020 Expense and Transfer (Actual) -Appointment of John Yocca to the Architectural Committee -Resignation of Pat O'Brien from the Architectural Committee -Resignation of Linda Curie from the Architectural Committee -Lien Filing APN 672-051-56 -Lien Filing APN 672-071-25 -Lien Filing APN 672-051-44 -Finance Committee Recommendation to keep 2019 Surplus in Operating Equity -Finance Committee Recommendation of Purchase of \$150,000 Certificate of Deposit -Association Reserves 2021 Reserve Study Proposal -Add Beach Bluff Parking Lot Access to Agenda as Emergency Item -Approve Beach Bluff Access for Resident Parking Only

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

 Check Register, General Ledger and Delinquency Report (February and March)
 —SSN Advertisement Fee
 —Correspondence to the Board
 —Manager's Report
 —Board Updates

#### **TABLED / CONTINUED:**

#### MAY 13, 2020 BOARD MEETING: (Executive Session)

#### ACCEPTED AND FILED:

-Executive Session Committee Minutes

#### **APPROVED:**

-Executive Session Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2020

- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for March 20, 2020
- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for March 25, 2020
- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for March 30, 2020
- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for April 13, 2020
- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for April 20, 2020
- -Executive Session Meeting Minutes for April 27, 2020

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

—One (1) Hearing Held for Violation of Rules – Overnight Parking
 —Once (1) Hearing Held for Suspension of Privileges

-One (1) Hearing Held for Violation of Rules - Pet Owner's

Responsibility (Dog Off Leash, Aggressive Dog)

-One (1) Hearing Held for Violation of CC&Rs

Article IX, Section 22 and Rules - Damage to

Common Area, Use of Community Center and Use

of Association Facilities (Unattended Guests)

-Two (2) Hearings Resolved Prior to Meeting

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

—Legal Update
—Coastal Commission Updates
—Cease and Desist Order
—Guest Towing
—Neighbor to Neighbor Water Concerns
—Lien Filing: APN 672-071-25; APN 672-051-56 and APN 672-051-44
—Legal Analysis (February and March)
—Delinquency Report (February and March)

NOTE: 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 THE 2<sup>ND</sup> WEDNESDAY, JUNE 10, 2020.



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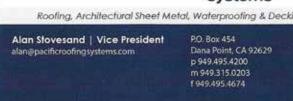
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