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Kick off December with a week of festive concerts and events

Something's always going on in Leisure World, and that's never as true as in December, when clubs and musical groups gather to perform holiday songs and hold festive celebrations for the whole community to enjoy. Here are just a few events happening this week:

- **LW Community Church Christmas Bazaar**, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1-2, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Leisure World Community Church hall. *See page 22.*
- **LW Orchestra Free Holiday Concert**, Saturday, Dec. 2, at 1 p.m. in Clubhouse 4. *See page 13.*
- **Good News Singers Holiday Concert**: Friday, Dec. 1, at 2 p.m. in Clubhouse 4. *See page 13.*
- **Free Harvest Moon performance sponsored by the Entertainers Club**: Friday, Dec. 1, from 4-5:30 p.m. Listen to LWers Vickie Van Ert and Mike Simpson perform soft rock hits from the 50s, 60s and 70s, plus holiday songs. *See page 14.*

SB Christmas Parade

The 45th annual Seal Beach Christmas Parade, sponsored by the Seal Beach Lions Foundation, will be held this Friday, Dec. 1, at 7 p.m. on Main Street. For more information, visit <https://www.seal-beachlions.org/christmas-parade.html>

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HOLIDAY EVENTS

GRF will kick off holiday season with tree lighting

This year's Christmas tree lighting, hosted by the GRF Recreation Department, will be held Wednesday, Dec. 6, at 4:30 p.m. at Veterans Plaza.

Come sing along to hymns by The Jolly Holidays Carolers of Los Angeles, who will lead the holiday merrymaking alongside Santa and LW's elves (from the LW Theater Club).

The fabulous tree lighting will be held after the performance. People are encouraged to bring grandchildren, friends and neighbors to this festive celebration. All are welcome. The tree lighting is the official kickoff for the Holiday Toy Drive.

The Brown Descents Car Club of Orange County will sponsor its second annual toy drive in Leisure World with donation boxes at all the entrance gates, Recreation Department, Veterans Plaza, and every lobby of Mutual 17.

The nonprofit donates toys to over 200 Orange County children and includes gift cards for families to enjoy holiday dinners.

The grace and generosity of Leisure World residents will allow the 501(c)3 organization to expand its reach to more OC Boys and Girls Clubs, churches and schools this season. Bring a new, unwrapped toy to bless an Orange County kid; no stuffed animals.

Refreshments and cookies will be provided by Optum. The Golden Age Foundation and Council on Aging will also be represented.



Santa and one of his Theater Club elves celebrate the 2022 tree lighting.

SECURITY

Seal Beach Police sets up surveillance camera trailer in LW



A surveillance camera trailer has been installed in LW, courtesy of the Seal Beach Police Department.

The Seal Beach Police Department has provided the Leisure World with Seal Beach's first ever surveillance camera trailer. This pilot is the first of many deployments throughout all of Seal Beach.

The surveillance camera trailer is fully self contained, and provides live, real time footage back to SBPD dispatch and its watch commander desk.

"The City of Seal Beach is always exploring opportunities to leverage technology to secure our city and have made strides in integrating the surveillance systems at our city facilities, public locations, and traffic cameras," said SBPD Lt. Julia Clasby. "This deployment is our first foray into a co-operated surveillance system."

The new system is in place partially

thanks to the efforts of Councilwoman Sandra Massa-Lavitt, who recognized the need for additional technological coordination between Leisure World and the Seal Beach Police Department. Her discretionary funds were leveraged for this pilot program.

Currently, the trailer is in the Clubhouse 2 parking lot, overlooking the area that has been a recent hotspot of crime in the community. SBPD's Detective Bureau is currently investigating larcenies that occurred

at the location.

The footage from the surveillance camera trailer will be livestreamed to the SBPD watch commander's office and dispatch center.

"While we don't have the personnel to

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The camera trailer is expected to beef up security in Leisure World.

TRAFFIC SAFETY

New signs illuminate speeder’s misdeeds

The first three speed display boards have been installed within Leisure World to warn drivers traveling over the communitywide 25 miles-per-hour speed limit to slow down.

The signs are partly a response to chronic speeding within the community that endangers pedestrians and other vehicles along the speeder’s path. A large body of research has shown that display boards of this type have been effective in reducing vehicle speeds by 10 miles per hour. That is about the amount on average needed to reduce current traffic to below the speed limit.

The signs are controlled wirelessly and can store vehicle



One of three new speed radar signs installed to calm traffic in LW.

speeds in the cloud for later analysis to gauge effectiveness. These signs, along with strategically placed speed humps, are intended to improve pedestrian and vehicle safety but they can’t do that on their own. They need people to notice them and slow down.

On Nov. 22 at 2 p.m., I counted cars headed north on St. Andrews Drive approaching the one currently working speed sign.

Over 45 minutes, I counted 130 cars in total and 60 of those cars (46%) were going in excess of the 25 miles per hour limit. The fastest was about 35 miles per hour.

There is a lot of work to do.
—Nick Massetti

HANUKKAH

Festival of Lights is Dec. 7

On Thursday, Dec. 7, at 4:30 p.m. at Veterans Plaza, Rabbi Aron David Berkowitz of the Chabad of West Orange County will share the story of Hanukkah and its meaning for Jew and Gentile alike.

Musical entertainment will help celebrate the Festival of Lights prior to lighting the menorah. It is an opportunity for the LW community, rich in culture and customs, to learn and share in the joy of this beautiful festival.

The holiday celebrates the Jews defeating Syrian-Greek oppressors who had tried forcing them to abandon their religion and adopt Greek culture.

The story has it that, led by Judah Maccabee, they recaptured the holy temple in Jerusalem. Arriving there, they found only enough olive oil to light candles for one night. The miracle of Hanukkah is it lasted for eight nights, thus the eight-branch candelabra known as the menorah.

Kosher refreshments will be provided, courtesy of OptumCare. People are invited to enjoy a nosh and say hello to the HealthCare Center team.



GRF’s menorah, which is lit up at an annual ceremony in Veterans Plaza.

In 1984, Rabbi Berkowitz started Chabad of West Orange County to serve as a traditional synagogue and outreach center in the Huntington Beach area. For the last 37 years, Rabbi Berkowitz served as the director and Rabbi of Chabad of West Orange County and Congregation Adat Israel.

The congregation has developed an extensive adult education program. When the Jewish Learning Institute (JLI) opened some 20 years ago, Rabbi Berkowitz introduced the JLI to Orange County, teaching the courses in various cities throughout the county. He is an accomplished musician and the son of Holocaust survivors.

For more information, contact mayokab@lwsb.com or call 562-431-6586, ext. 476.

Gate Access Reminder

Beginning Jan. 17, Leisure World’s new gate access system will be fully operational. At that time, people will need a valid RFID tag or GRF ID to enter the community.

It is important to note that residents will always be able to call Security, 24/7, with the names of their visitors.

Starting tomorrow, Dec. 1, new residents or residents with additional vehicles can get RFID tags at the Decal Office in Building 5, open from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Tuesday-Saturday (closed for lunch at noon).

Soon, every resident will receive a copy of the GRF budget. In the budget packet, people will also receive a form where they can write in their permanent guests. People can return the form by: (1) handing it to any Security guard while entering the community, (2) dropping the form off at the Finance Office, or (3) mailing the form to GRF.

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monitor the feeds 24/7, we do monitor the feeds as situations arise and time permits,” Clasby said.

Every few weeks, the trailer will be moved throughout the community to assist SBPD’s visual surveillance.

SBPD and LW staff will coordinate to determine the best deployment location.

Both organizations have the authorization and equipment necessary to move and deploy the trailer.



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Support local kids at GRF's annual Toy Drive Dance

People can drop off their unwrapped toys at the Security Main Gate, North Gate, St. Andrews Gate or the Security Satellite Office in Building 5 in the boxes provided, or bring them to the show.

Services such as faxing, copying, printing and the library's public computers will not be available during the renovations.



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PERSPECTIVES

ASK THE GRF

GRF: Navigating reserve and capital funding

In an effort to provide answers and build understanding, the LW Weekly has launched a series of occasional columns to expand on topics of general interest to shareholders. Instead of posting questions on social media, residents are invited to email questions to rutho@lwsb.com.

by Jessica Sedgwick
GRF executive director

In the heart of our vibrant community, the Golden Rain Foundation plays a pivotal role in ensuring the upkeep and enhancement of our shared amenities. One crucial aspect of its financial operations revolves around funding the reserves and capital fund, a process intricately tied to the Trust Property Use Fee (TPUF), formerly known as the Amenities Fee.

Funding Origins: TPUF and New Members

The financial lifeline of the reserves and capital fund primarily stems from the Trust Property Use Fee (TPUF), paid by new members upon joining the Golden Rain Foundation. This fee serves as a cornerstone for sustaining the annual contributions to both the reserve and capital funds, essential for maintaining and improving community amenities. It is imperative to recognize that at present, funding does not derive from assessments, setting the Golden Rain Foundation apart from other models within the community association landscape.

Dynamic Nature of TPUF: Tied to Real Estate Market

An intriguing facet of the TPUF lies in its responsiveness to the real estate market. The amount each member contributes annually can fluctuate based on the prevailing conditions of the real estate market. This adaptability ensures that the financial commitments of new members align with the economic landscape, provid-

ing a measure of stability to the Golden Rain Foundation's financial structure.

Importance of Spending Reserve Funds: A Prudent Approach

The Board of Directors shoulders the responsibility of wisely utilizing the reserve funds, recognizing the importance of strategic spending to maintain and enhance community facilities. Contrary to a common misconception, hoarding these funds is not a cost-saving strategy. In fact, neglecting necessary expenditures can lead to increased long-term costs, as deferred maintenance issues may compound over time.

Prudent use of reserve funds allows for timely repairs and renovations, preserving the community's assets and preventing potential larger financial burdens in the future.

Capital Fund: Fostering Community Growth and Enhancement

Beyond the maintenance of existing facilities, the Golden Rain Foundation's capital fund plays a vital role in fueling community growth and enhancement. This fund is earmarked for new projects and improvements, allowing the community to evolve and meet the changing needs and aspirations of its members. Importantly, this commitment to enhancement helps attract new members, ensuring the community remains an attractive and evolving place to live.

Attracting New Members and Preserving Property Values

Fueling enhancement through the capital fund not only contributes to the vibrancy of our community but also plays a crucial role in attracting new members.

While long-time residents planning to spend their days here may not immediately see the value in continued property enhancement, it is essential to recognize that a well-maintained and attractive community is a magnet for new residents. This influx of new

members contributes directly to the funding of reserves and capital projects through the TPUF.

The Critical Link: TPUF and Assessments

Given that the reserve funding and capital funding predominantly originate from the TPUF associated with new members, a decrease in this funding could carry substantial consequences. If TPUF contributions diminish, meeting the association's reserve funding requirements might compel an increase in assessments for all members. Preserving the current financial equilibrium is essential, not just to entice new residents but also to ensure the ongoing fiscal well-being of the entire community without imposing an excessive burden on existing members.

Looking Forward: Community Sustainability & Fiscal Responsibility

As we move forward, the Golden Rain Foundation remains committed to ensuring the financial health of our community through a judicious approach to funding reserves and the capital fund. By embracing the dynamic nature of the TPUF, understanding the importance of strategic spending, and utilizing the capital fund for innovative projects, the Board of Directors aims to safeguard our community's assets while promoting fiscal responsibility.

In conclusion, the Golden Rain Foundation's financial model, centered around the Trust Property Use Fee (TPUF), prudent reserve fund spending, and strategic capital fund utilization, underscores its commitment to community sustainability and growth. By recognizing the interplay between property enhancement, new member attraction, and financial stability, the Golden Rain Foundation continues to pave the way for a resilient, dynamic, and thriving community.



Thank you to Financial Partners Credit Union for donating seat cushions to the Learning Center in Clubhouse 3. The donation was made in the wake of complaints that the chairs were too hard. The GRF Recreation Department reached out to news advertising sales rep Sylvia King, who contacted Financial Partners Credit Union Community Development Office Pam Ellens. She responded to the problem by supplying 36 pillows to cushion the chairs, free of charge.

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Mutual Meetings Schedule

Mutual residents are invited to attend the open meetings of their Mutual boards. The following is a tentative schedule.

Thurs., Nov. 30	Mutual 1 Conference Room B/Zoom.....9 a.m.
Thurs., Nov. 30	Mutual 2 Conference Room B/Zoom.....1 p.m.
Mon., Dec. 4	Mutual 6 Conference Room B/Zoom....9:40 a.m.
Tues., Dec. 5	Mutual 17 Conference Room B/Zoom.....1:30 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 13	Mutual 4 (open forum 8:30 a.m.) Conference Room B/Zoom.....8:45 a.m.

Carports Cleaning Schedule

The following Mutual 10 carports will be cleaned Wednesday, Dec. 29, in the morning: 117, 118, 119, 120, 121 and 122.
In the afternoon: carports 123 and 124.

CITY OF SEAL BEACH

Seal Beach parade street closures

On Friday, Dec. 1, beginning at 7 p. m., the Seal Beach Police Department will be diverting traffic on Pacific Coast Highway and closing several streets to vehicular traffic for the Seal Beach annual holiday parade.

- Main St. will be closed to all vehicular traffic from 4-10 p.m.
- Ocean Ave. will be closed between 7th St. and 12th St. from 4-9:30 p.m.
- Both Electric Ave. and Central Ave. will be closed between 8th St. and 10th St. from 4-9:30 p.m.
- Pacific Coast Highway eastbound will be closed at Main St. and traffic will be diverted to northbound Bolsa Ave. Motorists will be directed to continue on Bolsa, east towards Seal Beach Blvd., and then south to Pacific Coast Highway. Motorists can also choose to turn south on Balboa Dr. from Bolsa to access Pacific Coast Highway. This closure will occur from 6:30-10 p.m.
- Pacific Coast Highway westbound traffic will be restricted, closed intermittently, and heavily congested from Seal Beach Blvd. to 5th St. from about 4:30-10 p.m.

SBPD is looking for families in need

During the month of December, the Seal Beach Police Department (SBPD) is teaming up with Target in Seal Beach to bring holiday cheer to youth through Heroes and Helpers community outreach program. This event helps families and kids in need shop for gifts, which brightens their holidays and helps strengthen relationships with the public safety officials.

The nominations are now being accepted for families or people who could use some extra holiday cheer this year. SBPD has raised the donations and wants to help spread joy to people in need.

The sender must include his or her name, phone number, and the nominees' name(s), phone number and address, along with the reason for the nomination. Send the nominations to Officer Kendra Owen or Officer David Rael-Brook no later than Sunday, Dec. 1, by 5 p.m. For questions, reach out to officer Owen at kowen@sealbeachca.gov or officer Rael-Brook at draelbrook@sealbeachca.gov.

Nominations will be anonymous and those selected will be visited by Seal Beach police officers and a Santa cop.

Public Comments at GRF Meetings

The Open Meeting Act requires boards of directors to establish reasonable time limits for speakers to address the GRF Board of Directors (Civ. Code §4925(b)). Time limits are four minutes per speaker for 15 or fewer speakers; three minutes per speaker for 16-25 speakers; and two minutes per speaker, more than 26 speakers.

Pursuant to Civil Code 4930 of the Davis-Stirling Act, the GRF Board is prohibited from answering questions from residents speaking during public comment time at board meetings.

To address the board, submit a comment card at the meeting prior to it being called to order. Residents may email correspondence to the executive coordinator at grfboardaction@lwsb.com.

GRF TRANSPORTATION

Monthly bus tours for new residents

The GRF Transportation Department will conduct monthly bus tours of Leisure World on Tuesdays for new and recently moved-in residents.

Included will be GRF clubhouses, Turtle Lake Golf Course, Mission Park and its activity courts and gaming rooms, the 1.8-Acre disposal and recycling area, as well as the Leisure World Library and the Main Gate bus station.

The 1.5-hour tours will begin at the bus hub on the east side of the Amphitheater north of the Administration Building.

Stock Transfer can book tours when new buyers check in, or people can schedule one at <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/NewMemberBusTours@lwsb.com/bookings/>.

For more information, contact Melissa Gomez at melissag@lwsb.com or 562-431-6586, ext. 326, or Kathy Thayer at kathyt@lwsb.com or 562-431-6586, ext. 398.

GRF Meetings

Golden Rain Foundation committee and board meetings are open to Leisure World residents. The following is a tentative schedule.

Thurs., Nov. 30	GRF Board Executive Session Conference Room A.....1 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 5	Facilities Committee Meeting Conference Room A.....10 a.m.
Tues., Dec. 26	GRF Board Meeting Clubhouse 4.....10 a.m.

A quorum or more of the directors may be present, only to listen and observe, and no formal board action will be taken at committee meetings. Members will be provided an opportunity to address the committee.

Senior Transportation Shuttle

The Senior Shuttle Service is a free 20-passenger shuttle that runs on a fixed route throughout major city stops, including Seal Beach Pier/Old Town area, Leisure World, and Rossmoor Shopping Center/North Seal Beach Community Center. This shuttle can accommodate wheelchairs and scooters, and hold two bikes.

To register, submit the following to the City of Seal Beach recreation coordinator Anthony Nguyen by email or in-person/mail:

- An application that can be requested from Nguyen or found on www.sealbeachca.gov/Departments/Community-Services-Recreation/Senior-Services.
- Photo ID showing proof of Seal Beach residency and date of birth (CA driver's license or a Golden Rain Foundation ID card for Leisure World residents).

To use this free shuttle, people must be:

- A Seal Beach resident.
- 60 years or older.
- Pre-registered with the City of Seal Beach.
- Have their SMP ID Number available for the driver. (This number is assigned upon registration with a turnaround time of three business days after submittal of application).

For more information or further assistance with the registration, call Robann Arshat, GRF member resources liaison at 562-431-6586, ext. 317, or email robertaa@lwsb.com.

Senior Card Games

The Seal Beach Recreation and Community Services Department hosts the senior card games at the North Seal Beach Community Center located at 3333 St. Cloud Dr. on the first Thursdays of the month from 2-3:30 p.m.

Games include pinochle, bridge, rummy and other card games. This is a great opportunity to meet and socialize with others.

For more information, contact Anthony Nguyen at 562-431-2527 ext. 1344, or email anguyen@sealbeachca.gov.

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9 To 5 By Harley Schwadron



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THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME
By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Kneerek

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Unscramble these letters
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to form four ordinary words.

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Sudoku #2

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		4	2	1	
1	8				7

Puzzles & Comics

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Determine the code to reveal the answer!

Solve the code to discover words related to New Year's celebrations.
Each number corresponds to a letter.
(Hint: 17 = N)

A. 1 9 13 23 24 13 5 17 4

Clue: Bubbly drink

B. 23 26 25 17 26 5 9 16


Clue: Twelve a.m.

C. 12 4 22 7 20 3 16 26 7 17

Clue: Plan to change

D. 24 13 12 16 2

Clue: Fun event



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HEALTH & FITNESS

Healthy aging seminar Dec. 4

Administration for Community Living and the LWSB Memory Support Team will have a healthy aging seminar on Monday, Dec. 4, from 10-11 a.m., in Clubhouse 3, Room 1.

Everyone is invited to this informative session to learn about changes the aging bodies go through that may affect learning and problem solving skills, as well as vision, hearing and mobility. People will learn what changes are normal and what may warrant further evaluation.

For more information, email learn@alzoc.org or call 1-844-373-4400, or contact GRF Member Resources Robann Arshat at 562-431-6586, ext. 317.

Meals on Wheels Orange County

Meals on Wheels Orange County in partnership with the city of Seal Beach is hosting The Lunch Cafe at the North Seal Beach Center, 3333 St. Cloud Dr., Seal Beach, Monday-Friday, from 11 a.m.-noon. It is open to anyone 60 or older. Suggested contribution is \$3. Guests under 60 can enjoy lunch for \$5.

LW Minibus service is available for a pick up at 10:25 a.m. at the Amphitheater bus stop on St. Andrews Drive, with a drop off at the Community Center. The Minibus returns to the Amphitheater at 11:40 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 30

Pork carnitas bowl, tomato cilantro rice, fiesta vegetables mix, tortilla, sour cream (one package), and seasonal fruit.

Friday, Dec. 1

Fish tacos, black beans, red and white cabbage, corn tortillas (two), pico de gallo, and pineapple chunks.

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ZUMBA DANCE CLUB



Zumba Dance Club meets on Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m. in the Fitness Center and Fridays at 8:30 a.m. in Veterans Plaza.

The workouts provide a low impact cardio with a smile to Latin-inspired music, and pop and rock classics.

BALLET FITNESS



Ballet Fitness Class meets on Saturdays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. in Clubhouse 6, upstairs in the mirror room, and provides

a full body exercise under the guidance of instructor Mel Lockett. Everyone is welcome.

Balance and Mobility Workshop

Alzheimer's Family Center and Interface Rehab Inc. will have a two-hour balance and mobility workshop on Monday, Dec. 11, from 9-11 a.m., in Optum HCC Conference Room.

The goal of this workshop is to help older adults maintain balance and mobility, and improve posture. It'll include an educational presentation, live demo and practical hands-on exercises for participants to try.

Interface Rehab Inc. is people-driven rehabilitation company that provides physical, occupational, and speech therapies with expertise in post-acute care, retirement communities, and outpatient clinic.

For More Information, contact GRF Member Resources, Robann Arshat at 562-431-6586, ext. 317.

Holly, Jolly, Resources Galore Party

The collaboration team of social workers will have a Holly, Jolly, Resources Galore party for LW residents on Friday, Dec. 8, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in Veterans Plaza. The goal of this event is to connect people with various resources. Participants include GRF Member Resources Liaison Robann Arshat, the Golden Age Foundation, the Council on Aging, Adult Protective Services, Alzheimer's OC, the SoMang Society, Pathways and Meals on Wheels Long Beach. The event is free. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy refreshments, giveaways and music by Sax on the Beach sax quartet.

For more information, contact GRF Member Resources Liaison Robann Arshat at 562-431-6586, ext. 317.

Meals on Wheels Long Beach

Meals on Wheels of Long Beach, Inc., delivers freshly cooked meals for \$10.50 per day Monday-Friday, between 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Deliveries include an 8-ounce carton of 1 percent milk.

Contact Client Manager Caron Adler at 562-439-5000, ext. 1, or visit www.mowlb.org to complete the application or cancel a meal for the following day, before 9 a.m. the prior business day.

Thursday, Nov. 30

Beef lasagna, whole grain dinner roll, broccoli and cauliflower, peach, turkey, ham and cheese sandwich with lettuce, tomato and pickle, and homemade potato salad.

Friday, Dec. 1

Baked turkey ziti, whole grain roll, California vegetables blend, kiwi, Greek chicken salad with tomato, olives, cucumber, Feta cheese, vinaigrette dressing and crackers.

Monday, Dec. 4

Turkey chili, cornbread, seasoned cauliflower, orange, egg salad sandwich with spinach, tomato, and homemade macaroni salad.

Tuesday, Dec. 5

Beef Teriyaki brown rice bowl oriental vegetables, seasoned corn, peaches, vanilla chocolate swirl pudding, turkey and ham Cobb salad with egg, tomato, bacon, blue cheese dressing and crackers.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

Herb-roasted chicken breast with honey mustard sauce, barley pilaf, carrots, green bean almandine, pear, turkey and cheese sandwich with lettuce, tomato and pickle, and homemade potato salad.



FIND YOUR PEACE OF MIND

While the holidays may not be the same as they were in the past, there can still be plenty of reasons to celebrate. Don't wait until depression happens to reach out to us.

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JOYFUL LINE DANCE



Joyful Line Dance Club meets on Thursdays in Clubhouse 2 from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with a special class for newbies from 10-10:30. All attendees are asked to sign in with their name, Mutual and unit number before the class. Everyone is welcome to join with the minimal membership fee. Exercise or dancing shoes are required. On Dec. 7, the club will have a holiday line dance party from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. with a Korean lunch, \$20 per person. Today is the last day to sign up for the party. For more information, contact Anna Derby at 562-301-5339.

BICYCLE GROUP



Members of the Bicycle Group drove to Coronado and biked the great trails in the surrounding area. The LW Bicycle Group meets on Sundays (with breakfast) to El Dorado Park, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the North Gate at 9 a.m. Everyone must wear a bicycle helmet and safe shoes. For more information on the beginners or more advanced group, call Mary Romero at 562-509-8475 or Lucy Czra at 818-209-5075.

Find lasting results with a like-minded Wa-Rite community

The Wa-Rite Club meets on Fridays in Clubhouse 3, Room 1, from 9-10 a.m. Weigh-ins are from 8:15-8:45 and are optional for visitors. The annual membership fee is \$10. Weekly dues are 10 cents.

All female residents looking to improve their health and lose at least 10 pounds are invited to join any of the club's meetings by arriving no later than 8:45 a.m. New visitors can visit up to three times for free before joining the club, except for the members only meetings.

On Nov. 17, Wa-Rite recognized Linda Rich as top loser. She stayed focused on her goal and reminded everyone of Karen Green's quote that kept her going: "If it is to be, it is up to me."

The club also got to know its newly joined members. President Judy Chamber interviewed former queens Bea Quintara and Pat Miller. Quintara has been a loyal member of Wa-Rite community for several years and a LW resident since 2018. She is also a mother of five and grandmother of 15. Miller has been a member since 2010 and a LW resident since 2005. She is also an American Legion Chaplain. Miller appreciates the club for helping her to stay fit and making many good friends over the years.

Wa-Rite will have members only meetings on Dec. 1 (business), Dec. 8 (auction), and Dec. 15 (Christmas party). There will be no meeting on Dec. 22. Meetings will reopen to guests on Dec. 29.

—Denise Stabile



Nov. 17 top loser Linda Rick

Boost your mood with healthy food

No one is immune to occasional mood swings, but certain foods have been found to positively affect mood, and may help to stay positive even on gloomy days.

- **Fatty fish.** The omega-3 fatty acid found in salmon, tuna, sardines, trout, and anchovies may help with depression, feeling of sadness and pessimism.
- **Nuts and seeds.** Almonds, pumpkin and sunflower seeds, walnuts and peanuts are good sources of the immune-boosting minerals found in selenium, copper, magnesium, and zinc, and have all been linked to mental health.
- **Dark, leafy greens.** Kale, spinach and collards are rich in iron and magnesium, both of which can increase serotonin levels and help reduce feelings of anxiety. They also help fight inflammation, which can have a positive effect on mood.
- **Dark chocolate.** Studies show that dark chocolate helps reduce the levels of cortisol, a hormone that has been linked to stress. When consumed in moderation, dark chocolate made of at least 70% cocoa can help people relax.

—MetroCreativeConnection

Holiday volunteers for LW residents

Through December, Lucent Care volunteers will be available to share the joy of the holiday season with LW residents. These volunteer companions are nurses from Pacific College, pastors and parishioners from local churches.

For more information, contact GRF Member Resources Liaison Robann Arshat at 562-431-6586, ext. 317.

Balance and Stability Club

The Balance and Stability Club meets on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 10 a.m., in Clubhouse 3 Lobby. Bring water and a smile. For more information, contact Adrienne Rosenfeld at 562-397-1519.

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Monday, Dec. 4

Vietnamese caramel pork with sauce, jasmine rice, broccoli, and seasonal fresh fruit.

Tuesday, Dec. 5

Turkey pot roast, brown gravy, mashed potatoes, collard greens, and sugar free fruited gelatin.

Wednesday, Dec. 6

Macaroni and cheese, diced tomatoes, carrots, breadstick (one), sugar free apple crisp, and orange-pineapple juice.

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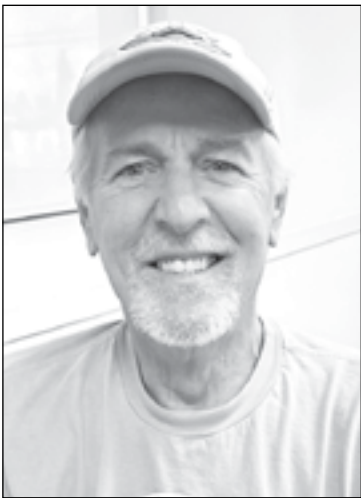
TOURNAMENT POKER CLUB

New club member wins tournament on first day

The Tournament Poker Club will host its semi-annual Casino Tournament on Dec. 16. Registration has begun, and seating is limited. For more details, look for the announcement flyer on the monitors in any clubhouse or contact Deborah Barner at 325-721-0687.

The last gathering for the club took place on the Nov. 18. The two highest hands of the day were Joe Gugilielmo with a straight flush and Ernie Dinkle with quad 10s. By playing and winning with the promotional hand of 9-3, Katie Hamilton won the prize.

As the winners of their original table, the final table players were: Joe Wierzbicki, first place; Jack (Lee) Pfeifer, second; Roger Montero, third; Lem Hall, fourth; Joseph Baumler fifth. With the table winners seated,



Joe Wierzbicki

play continued until Pfeifer and Wierzbicki were heads up. When the flop came 4-9-7, Wierzbicki went all in holding 7-9. Pfeifer called holding 6-9. Both players had a pair of nines, but Wierzbicki also had a pair of sevens. There was no help for Pfeifer on the turn, a four, or the river, a

five. Wierzbicki won the tournament with two pair 7-7-9-9-4.

Wierzbicki, who joined the club the same day, has lived in Leisure World for three months. He also likes to play golf.

The club congratulates all the winners. Attendees can play a fun and friendly game of Texas Hold 'Em for a \$5 buy-in. Residents of Leisure World can join the club for \$10 per year or play as a guest for \$3 per game. Make plans to join the club at the next regular Saturday tournament on Dec. 2. Regular tournaments are on the first three Saturdays of every month in the lobby of Clubhouse 6.

All tournaments are held in Clubhouse 6, and registration begins at 10 a.m. Treats and coffee will be available. Cards are in the air at 10:30. There is no late seating.

—Deborah Barner



Last year's holiday party decorations, provided by Sally Fowler (third from left), created the perfect ambiance for the special event enjoyed by John and Kay Mount (l), and Lilly Rivera. Fowler has a tradition of producing jaw-dropping holiday décor.

SHUFFLEBOARD CLUB

Winter league plans in the works

The Shuffleboard Club's board of directors is reviewing options for winter season league competitions. The first set of winter competitions will be announced at the annual Christmas/holiday party, Saturday, Dec. 9, in Clubhouse 3, Room 2, beginning at 5 p.m.

Sally Fowler, the renowned holiday decorator, promises a magical Christmas stage in which everyone can enjoy Christmas stockings, snowy scenes, and the joyful spirit of the season. The Christmas potluck sign-up sheets are available in the courts building. All club members and guests are invited to attend.

With final fall season competitions coming up, it is time to plan league activity for the upcoming winter season, typically January-March. The courts building is scheduled to be painted both indoors and out as a final project in the 2023-24 shuffleboard revitalization. Although the precise dates for painting are not finalized, it is likely that the building will be closed 2-4 weeks for the project. Therefore, it is impossible to lay out a precise 10-week season schedule.

However, the winter league sign-up sheets are currently available at the courts building. Anyone who wants to be involved in league competitions beginning early January should add their name to the sheets.

For club information, call Membership Coordinator Patty Peterson at 562-714-7072.

—Kay Mount

Pinochle Club weekly play begins at noon

The Pinochle Club meets on Mondays, Thursdays and Saturdays in Clubhouse 1 from noon-4 p.m.

Nov. 11 winners: Curt Rogers, 12,480, first place; Irene Perkins, 10,840, second; Ruth Bonnema, 10,450, third; Chung He, 10,180, fourth.

Nov. 13 winners: Irene Perkins, 12,090, first place; Don Walton, 11,340, second; Gene Smith, 10,820, third; Joan Taylor, 10,710, fourth.

Nov. 16 winners: Gene Smith, 11,430, first place; Nita Dixon, 10,940, second; Lynne Sorum, 10,530, third; Ruth

Bonnema, 10,850, fourth.

Nov. 18 winners: Curt Rogers, 11,590, first place; Nancy Wheeler, 10,930, second; Don Habel, 10,550; third; Donna Gorman, 10,170, fourth.

For club information, contact Antonia Zupancich at 760-427-2731.

DUPLICATE BRIDGE CLUB

Play bridge on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays

The Leisure World Duplicate Bridge Club meets on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays in Clubhouse 1 at 12:30 p.m. Reservations can be made at any game using the sign-up sheets. Players can also call Linda Nye at 562-453-6678 or email her at yuelingnye@yahoo.com no later than 10 a.m. on game day. Arrive by 12:15 to confirm reservations.

Nov. 13 winners (nine tables): Linda Nye and Miranda Reddy, and Shmuel Fisher and Trudi Lamendola, north/south; Bud Parish and Joyce Basch, and Thad Mikols and Glenn Berry, east/west.

Nov. 16 winners (four tables): No results available due to computer issues.

Nov. 17 winners (nine and a half tables): Linda Nye and Marilyn McClintock, and



It all adds up to a good time at the Duplicate Bridge Club.

Larry Topper and Lynn Danielson, north/south; Judith Jones and Al Appel, and John Berg and Aarlyn Glenn, east/west.

The club congratulates all the winners and thanks all the players who participate and support the club.

For complete results, includ-

ing a list of all players and scores, go to the Long Beach Bridge Center results page at www.acblunit557.org and click on Leisure World Results. For club information, contact Howard Small at 516-659-3314 or howard.small@outlook.com.

—Sue Fardette

TABLE TENNIS CLUB

New officers to be introduced at pizza dinner

The Leisure World Seal Beach Table Tennis Club elected new officers for 2024 during a meeting held on Nov. 11. Assuming their roles in January will be Hankin Le as president; Don Nguyen, vice president; Nhi Nghiem, treasurer; T.V. Tran, secretary.

To celebrate this transi-

tion, the club has organized a dinner gathering scheduled from 5-10 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9, at the Hospitality Center in Clubhouse 6. Club members can enjoy pizza and beverages provided by the club.

During the event, K.C. Park, the current president, will introduce the newly

elected officers to the club members. Additionally, he will provide a comprehensive review of the club's accomplishments throughout the year.

For club information, contact club president K.C. Park at park.kee@sbcbglobal.net.

—K.C. Park

LEISURE WORLD WALKING CLUB

Tom Pontac trots to first place

Tom Pontac, founder of the Leisure World Walking Club, came in first place at the Seal Beach 5K Turkey Trot Nov. 18. His age group was 85-120 years old, proving that it's never too late. Pontac took 30 minutes off his last race time in October at the Aquarium of the Pacific 5K. He saw a young disabled girl who had just run her first 1K race and gave her his first place medal. She and her mother were very happy to receive the medal. Proving once again that it's never too late to show kindness to others.

—Jeanne Pontac



Tom Pontac

LW Women’s Golf Club

The next general meeting will be on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 12:30 p.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 1. This is the annual holiday luncheon. Turkey Shoot winners will be announced and point money will be distributed.



Last week’s tournament, the second and final week of the Turkey Shoot, had 35 women golfers participating. The women played for low gross, low net and putts.

A flight winners: Low gross: Linda Herman, 29, with 11 putts; low net: Jessica Choi and Veronica Chang, 26.

B flight winners: Low gross: Jane Song and Nancy Reid, 28. Reid had 12 putts. Low net: Karen Mendon, 24.

C flight winners: Low gross: Sue Yokomi and Kay Hong, 35; low gross: Sanghi Kim, 26, with 13 putts.

D flight winners: Low gross: Liz Meripol and Neva Senske, 38; low net: Joyce Basch, 27. Patti Smith had 13 putts.

Anyone interested in joining the Women’s Golf Club can obtain an application from the golf course starter or contact club treasurer Margie Thompson at 562-493-0484 for more information.

—Liz Meripol



Yahtzee Club winners for Nov. 17 include Gerri Wright (l-r), most Yahtzees; Doris Dack, high score; Lyn Doyle, low score; Julie Milburn, door prize.

Yahtzee Club will meet Dec. 1

The Yahtzee Club will meet Dec. 1 in Clubhouse 3, Room 6, at 1 p.m. There will be a halftime social to interact with friends and neighbors. The club meets the first, third and fifth Fridays of each month. For more information, contact Diane Seeger at 562-533-5997.

—Diane Seeger



Cribbage Club officers Marilyn Chelsvig (l-r), Margaret Smith, Gene Smith, Mary Holder and Julie Milburn.

Cribbage Club meets Tuesdays

The Cribbage Club meets every Tuesday at noon in Clubhouse 1. Yearly dues are \$5 and a \$1 fee is collected each week to play. Members arriving by 12:15 are assured a place to play. Refreshments are served noon to 12:15 with club announcements at 12:25. Play begins at 12:30. Seven games are played.

In celebration of Thanksgiving, last week a variety of pies was provided by the club. Serving the refreshments was Margaret Smith and Carrie Kistner.

Congratulations to first place winner Donna Gambol for winning her first star with a perfect score of 847; Hoppy Hopkins, 835, second; Gene Smith, 833, third; Bobbie Straley, 828, fourth.

New members are always welcome. For club information, contact Marilyn Chelsvig at 562-279-5665.

—Mary Holder



Donna Gambol

GUYS AND GALS GOLF TOURNAMENT

Scramble ready for first 54 players on Dec. 6

There will be a 54-person scramble/shotgun on Dec. 6 at 7:30 a.m. This is the third time this has been undertaken and has been enjoyed by everyone. Those who would like to play should call Steve Moody at 424-213-3002 or 562-421-1976 prior to Dec. 5.

The first Guys and Gals Tournament of November was played on the 15th at the Turtle Lake Golf Course. The weather projections were for rain and clouds most of the morning. Rain held off until the first group finished 18 holes and then came the rain and a couple of claps of thunder, which cancelled the session.

Teams of variously skilled golfers of one man and one woman vied for best net scores (gross score minus handicap), plus two circle holes (shots within a 5-foot radius are rewarded), and two closest to the pin challenges. A total of 23 teams (46 players) were able to complete the 18 holes. Fairways are in good condition with a few new wet spots, and the greens, recently punched and aerated, are not yet back to good condition. The tee boxes are still damp, but there is seed in the divot fix bottles.

Overall scores were very good with 20 of 23 rounds net at or under par. Low net score for the round was by Marv Jones and Marilyn Hewitt at 11 under



The Turtle Lake golf course was the site for the Nov. 15 Guys and Gals tournament.

43. There were 13 rounds at net 50 or below.

All scores below are net (gross score minus handicap).

A flight winners (handicaps of 0-8): tie between Young and Hae Lee, and Dong and Devora Kim, first place; Won and Jane Song, second; Glenn Barry and Karen Mendon, third; Bruce Bowles and Linda Herman, fourth.

B flight winners (handicaps of 9-12): Dennis McMonigle and Bert Thompson, first place; tie between Dave LaCascia and Liz Meripol, and James Farr and Sandy Derouin, second; tie between John Kolthoff and Elizabeth Butterfield, and Dale Williamson and Susie Kim, third.

C flight winners (handicaps of 12-18): Marv Jones and Marilyn Hewitt, first place; Lee Broadbent and Joann Lim,

second; Tom Owens and Ann Tran, third.

Closest to the pin for the men on the 8th and 16th holes was Steve Walker and Dave LaCascia respectively, and for the ladies, Bert Thompson and Devora Kim. The lowest gross scores were by Dong and Devora at 5 under 49, followed by Young and Hae at 2 under 52, and Bruce and Linda at even par 54. There were eight circle hole winners and 35 birdies.

The men’s tournament is played every second and fourth Wednesday of each month. Those who had planned to play in any tournament and cannot should contact Scott Tuchfarber at 909-684-0426, or Dave LaCascia at 801-674-5975 as soon as possible. Arrive 10-15 minutes prior to scheduled tee time and be ready to play.

—Dave LaCascia

Men’s Golf League

Eleven golfers from the Leisure World Men’s Golf League played Nov. 17 at the 5,600-yard, par-71 Meadowlark Golf Course in Huntington Beach.

With better than average playing conditions, it was surprising that only five of the 11 players were at net par or under, but there were four birdies—two by Chris Lankford, and one each by Lowell Goltra, and Clay Fischer. Sam Choi and Fischer tied for fewest putts in the “A” flight, and Goltra for the “B”. Tom Ross was closest to the pin on the 140-yard seventh hole, and Gary Stivers was closest on the 140-yard sixteenth.

A flight winners (handicaps 0-19): tie between Lankford and Choi, first place; Stivers, second; Fischer, third.

B flight winners (handicaps 20 and over): Gene Vesely, first place; tie between Goltra and Meyer, second; Jackson, third; Bob Munn, at 4 under 58, fourth, Tom Ross, fifth;

tie between Bill McKusky and Daniel Mahoney, sixth.

On Nov. 20, thirteen golfers blitzed the David L. Baker Executive Golf Course in Fountain Valley. The 4,000-yard par-62 course is the shortest the league plays.

The sun was out early, and it was cool and extremely windy. Even so the course permitted nine of the 13 rounds to be net at or under par, but with just two birdies – both by Chris Lankford. Jim Goltra had fewest putts in the “A” flight, and Bill McKusky in the “B.” Jim was also closest to the pin on the 100-yard third hole, and Digna Vesely was closest on the 140-yard twelfth.

A flight winners (handicaps 0-19): Gary Stivers, 8 under 54 first place; Chris Lankford, 7 under 55, second; tie between Fujio Norihiro and Sam Choi, 3 under 59, third; tie between Larry Hillhouse and Clay Fischer, fourth; Jim Goltra, fifth.

B flight winners (handicaps 20 and over): Bob Munn, 5 under 57, first place; Digna Vesely, 4 under 58, second; tie between Gene Vesely, McKusky and Daniel Mahoney, 2 under 60, third; Lowell Goltra, fourth.

The Monday and Friday Golf leagues play at four local courses, all within 15-20 minutes of Leisure World. The courses the group plays are always quite full, so advance league reservations are required with a sign-up sheet available at each round.

There is a prize pool for each round that players are not obligated to enter. Rewards are given for low net in each flight, birdies, closest to the pin on two par threes, and for the lowest number of putts in each flight. Holes-in-one and eagles (two under par), although infrequent, are generously rewarded. Those interested can contact Gary Stivers at 714-313-3697 or Dave LaCascia at 801-674-5975.

—Dave LaCascia

The Ladies “Q” Pool Club

The Ladies “Q” Pool Club is a place for women in Leisure World to get together to play pool. The club meets every Monday from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. in Clubhouse 1. In addition, a meeting is held on the first Monday of the month to discuss club issues, followed by a game of

pool. The pool room is open from 7 a.m.-10 p.m. daily. Members are encouraged to practice at their leisure.

The goal of the club is to have fun. Beginners are



encouraged and welcome. Members are happy to teach beginners how to play. Yearly dues are \$5.

For club information, contact Susan Dodson at 562-279-5282.

ARTS & LEISURE

LWer competes in international dragonboat championship

LWer Heidi Stone was a coach and supportive paddler in the International Dragon Boat Federation World Championships, helping lead a national team for the United States in the paradragon division. Paradrags are dragon boat paddlers with some sort of physical, neurological, sensory, developmental or intellectual impairment.

by Heidi Stone
LW contributor

I began standup paddleboarding in 2011 as a form of physical therapy for my spine after severe scoliosis surgery and hip replacements due to congenital hip dysplasia. I enjoyed it so much that paddling became a near daily routine.

I signed up for every race I could and usually podiumed for my age division, and sometimes overall female.

I started volunteering to support adaptive paddlers and surfers with various organizations all over SoCal. It's such a joy to transfer someone from their wheelchair to a wheelchair secured to a paddleboard with side pontoons and paddle in hand, then shove them off the dock and glide them onto the water. The expression on their face the first time they realize that they can paddle independently is priceless.

Several years ago, I did a training session in Encinitas to learn how to support blind surfers. One young boy had a rough time getting up, but was so determined. Finally he got up in a stance with his arms out wide and yelled, "I'm flying!" I told him that we were wrapping up since it was getting dark soon. He said, "Makes no difference to me!" So we stayed out there until sunset!

I started paddling outrigger canoe in 2017 and began focusing more on technique and endurance. I joined outrigger teams in Long Beach and Newport for six-man ocean distance racing.

I had many friends who also raced dragon boats at Mother's Beach in Alamitos Bay. I had practiced with them a few times and it was pretty easy to pick up since the stroke was similar to outrigger. I had noticed there was an adaptive crew with deaf members on the beach one morning. Since I had been an American Sign Language (ASL) signer for over 40 years, I thought I might see if they could use some help.

After COVID, I reconnected with some deaf paddlers and got involved helping the Adaptive Fusion Dragon Boat Club in Long Beach. There are deaf, blind and physically challenged members on the team and all are very supportive of each other. With the blind, we follow alongside them in another canoe with voice commands to have them paddle certain ways

and direct which way to steer with the rudder pedals. In the 20 man dragon boat, we train all paddlers, whether deaf or blind, to feel the boat in order to blend in perfect sync with each other. During practice, we also drum on the hull to mimic the beat of a drum during competition so that the blind can hear and the deaf can feel the beat to keep in time with the stroke in the front seat setting the pace.

The International Dragon Boat Federation (IDBF) World Championships are held every odd numbered year somewhere on the planet. Last fall, they decided to include a Paradrags division for the 2023 event in Pattaya, Thailand. The announcement gave a very short amount of time to come up with a national Team USA crew of adaptive paddlers from around the country.

I was asked to join as an assistant coach, along with the other coaches from the Adaptive Fusion Club. I had already been training for my own division of Women's Senior B, which is age 50 up. I took on the responsibility to help establish the Team USA Paradrags division, and also tried out to be a support paddler on the Para team. There are categories for Para. In the first, PD1, all paddlers have impairments. In PD2 boats, half are para and half are able-bodied support paddlers. The drummer and steers-person can be either. Team USA raced in both PD1 and PD2 categories in all distances of 200, 500, 1,000 and 2,000 meters.

Lonnie Homenuk was selected as the Para head coach in January of this year and the entire leadership team hit the ground running. Our mantra was "Challenge Accepted," and there were plenty of challenges along the way. There was little opportunity to paddle together until we all gathered together in Thailand the first of August.

I made the Team USA selection for Senior B, but the coach for the women's crew totally understood my commitment to the Para division and listed me as an alternate. I planned to paddle exclusively with our Para team in Thailand.

There was so little time for other countries to pull together Paradrags crews, but four countries represented this year: Canada, Philippines, India and USA. Since many of the Paradrags heats were "open," the boats could be rostered with either gender. Other countries had far more men filling their boats than we did. We had far more women trying out, so our boats were not as physically strong overall. That said, we held our own and proved to the world that Para Team USA was built with character and integrity. As Coach Lonnie always said, "AIO!" which meant, "Adapt! Improve! Overcome!"

We didn't win any medals,



Heidi Stone (center left, fist bumping) with deaf members of the Team USA and Team Philippines.

but returned home with treasured moments of a lifetime.

Jasmin, one of our Team USA captains, became blind soon after Army boot camp over a decade ago. We were both stroke (seat 1, which sets the rate for the whole boat) at the races in Sarasota, and I had asked her if she knew what the dragon head on the boats looked like. She did not. I told her that I would take her to the docked boats after the races so she could "braille" them and I'd describe what they look like and the symbolism. Unfortunately, the heads were removed and gone. While in Pattaya, many of our team visited the Ning Nooch Botanical Gardens. There was a huge statue of a dragon head similar to those on our boats. Rosie, one of her deaf teammates, attempted to verbally describe the shapes and colors as she guided Jasmin's hands to feel all the parts of the dragon head.

Each country's women's crews were highly competitive, but the women of Iran proved themselves champions on a higher level. Wearing full length pants, long sleeves and hijabs, they crushed the water and earned their hardware. One of these precious women came to our Paradrags tent and asked if she could trade jerseys with me. The Iranian women were forbidden to attend our closing ceremonies, which is where a lot of jersey swapping happens between countries. I told her that I still needed to wear it the next day and would love to trade after our last heats, but said that it would be sweat-drenched. She said, "Mine, too! That's ok! I find you!" After the exchange, she hugged me and said, "We are friends in the world." We sure are.

The Philippine and USA Para teams have had a strong bond for years, competing against each other in Club Crew competitions. They are the most gracious, encouraging and supportive group with all types of disabilities. They had six Deaf on their national team and we had six deaf on ours. Their sign language is very similar to ASL, so communication was rather easy. All of the deaf from both teams were often gathered in



Heidi Stone (l) with an Iranian competitor who she later traded jerseys with.



Heidi Stone rows a dragonboat with teammates.

our tent or theirs chatting away.

The IDBF Director of Paradrags, Nigel Bedford, had all Para teams come together in front of the grandstands congratulate each country for their participation. He made sure all the team members mixed themselves up between countries. Athletes in wheelchairs, with crutches, blind with their canes and many signing, wearing different jerseys, all together with one purpose. And to inspire other countries to participate in the future.

Denven, one of the deaf Philippine paddlers was amazed that we had a deaf steers person. He asked me how we make that work since all of a steer's communication is with verbal commands. I told him that we were also training a Deaf drummer on our local team in Long Beach, which is unheard of.

Mary, our steer, is very skilled and experienced, but the conditions were difficult in Pattaya and she had a hard time controlling our boat with a few of our races. She was devastated, and we all encouraged her that it happens to the best and we were

all in this together. On the last day, Denven came to our tent and congratulated Mary on the courageous work she did on the water and how she inspired his team. He then placed one of his gold medals around her neck.

I am currently helping coach our Adaptive Fusion Dragon Boat team prepare for Club Crew World Championships in Revena, Italy in September 2024. This is for individual local club teams from each country to compete against each other. Our team earned their berth by winning six gold medals at the Club Crew National Championships in Sarasota, Florida last July, 2023. I will also be competing with our team in Italy as a Para paddler.

Why do I do this? I was born and raised in the same salt water that my great-grandparents raised my family. In spite of my own physical challenges, I still have sight, hearing and all my limbs. I've been blessed with the opportunity to grow and excel in these water sports. God calls us to give back what we've been gifted. And by doing so, I've received so much more in return.



Conductor and Musical Director Dr. Samuel Kim

LW Orchestra Free Holiday Concert

The Leisure World Community Orchestra will host its free annual holiday concert on Saturday, Dec. 2, at 1 p.m. in Clubhouse 4. All are welcome to attend. People are encouraged to arrive early as seating may be limited. The 40-plus-piece orchestra has been rehearsing twice a week since September under the direction of Dr. Samuel Kim.

Music will include “Light Cavalry Overture,” Haydn’s “Toy Symphony,” the second movemenet of Beethoven’s “Fifth Sym-phony,” “Festive Sounds of Hanukkah,” “Sleigh Ride,” “Christmas Favorites,” “Farandole” from Bizet’s “L’Arlesienne Suite No. 2” and “A Carol Festival” directed as a sing-a-long by new Assistant Conductor Linda DeRungs.

The choir from the Leisure World Korean Community Church will perform “For Unto Us a Child is Born” and “Hallelujah Cho-rus,” both from Handel’s “Messiah.”

Light refreshments will be served after the show. The orchestra always welcomes new members. For more information, email chris.p.gruber@gmail.com.

Leisure Time Dancers

The Leisure Time Dancers hold classes on Monday afternoons in the dance studio, upstairs in Clubhouse 6. Rumba is at 2 p.m., followed by West Coast swing at 3. No partner is necessary. The class will rotate so everyone dances. Beginners are welcome. A review of basics will be included.

The cost is \$7 per person for one class and \$11 per per-son for two classes in a single day. For more information, contact Leisure Time Dancers President Nancy Lyons at nhlyons@icloud.com.



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NOCE CHORUS AND TONE CHIME CHOIR



North Orange County Continuing Education (NOCE) will hold a free holiday concert on Monday, Dec. 11, at 10 a.m. in Clubhouse 4. Students in both the Leisure World Chorus and Tone Chime classes will put on a 90-minute performance. Instructor Lee Lassetter has been preparing the students all semester for this moment. Come see the incredible talents of LW friends and neighbors. People should arrive early for the best seating.



The Good News Singers, directed by Janet Ray and accompanied by Ruth Bonnema.

Good News Singers will perform holiday concert

The Good News Singers will perform beauti-ful holiday music on Friday, Dec. 1, at 2 p.m. in Clubhouse 4.

The performance will include inspirational messages and music from all of the holidays,

including “We Gather Here in Grateful Praise,” “Hanukkah is Here,” “Noel Festival,” “Angels From the Realms of Glory,” “O Holy Night,” and more, including sing-a-long carols.

—Kay Pushman

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SEAL BEACH GUITAR ENSEMBLE

Guitar group will perform second annual concert

The Seal Beach Guitar Ensemble will host its second annual concert on Saturday, Dec. 16, at 3 p.m. at Community Church. All are welcome to attend.

The group will perform a nine-piece ensemble, three solos and a duet. Light refreshments will be served after the concert.

The Seal Beach Guitar Ensemble always welcomes new members. For more information, contact via President Mimi Lee, 914-843-1696, or Director Kevin Kim, 714-820-3189.

Community Karaoke

Thanksgiving Eve in Clubhouse 1 brought a lively crowd to enjoy karaoke night. Barbie May had people tapping their feet to the beat of “Crying My Heart Over You.”

Susan Cooper, a newcomer to karaoke singing, engaged the audience with “Que Sera Sera.” Albert and Joy Comia sang some powerful numbers like “Crazy” and “Love Me Tender.” Pat Paternoster sang a pleasing “Only the Lonely” with a backup, Bob Barnum, harmonizing. The group enjoyed a few Christmas carols between the pop hits, gospel tunes and country western swinging numbers. Singing can make people feel happy and that is what they’ll find each Wednesday night in Clubhouse 1 beginning at 5:30. Everyone is welcome to turn in a song or enjoy the club’s singers.



Barbie May

—Margie Thompson



Barbie May and friend on the dance floor.

Dancers & Mixers Club Dance

The Dancers & Mixers Club will host a dance on Tuesday, Dec. 5, from 7-9 p.m. in Clubhouse 4 to celebrate the holidays.

The club features live music by Linda Herman, who optimizes her music for dancing. People can expect plenty of holiday-themed songs in addition to ballroom dance standards.

People can bring their favorite beverages and snacks. Partners are not needed as there will be both line dancing and a mixer. There is not an admission charge. For more information, call 562-431-1257.



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ENTERTAINERS CLUB

Vocal duo Harvest Moon will perform at Vets Plaza Dec. 1

The Entertainers Club is proud to present Harvest Moon featuring the vocal duo Vickie Van Ert and Mike Simpson at Veterans Plaza on Friday, Dec. 1, from 4-5:30 p.m.

Harvest Moon showcases soft rock hits from the ‘50s, ‘60s and ‘70s, and now includes special holiday songs. Tables and chairs are provided. Admission is free, but tips are appreciated.



Mike Simpson and Vickie Van Ert

Grab ‘n’ Go Food: Nov. 30-Dec. 6

Thursday: Domino’s Pizza at Clubhouse 6—Call ahead at 562-493-2212 for special orders, wings and salads. The truck is onsite from 3:30-7 p.m. Cash and cards are accepted.

Monday: Kiki’s Cuban Food (New) at Clubhouse 6—Try out Cuban specialties like slow roasted pork, sweet plantains and vegan dishes. Onsite from 4-6 p.m.; cards only.

Tuesday: Taco Tuesday at Clubhouse 6—Enjoy Mexican favorites plus hot dogs, burgers and fries from 5-7 p.m. Cash and cards are accepted. No preorders are allowed.

Wednesday: The Empanada Maker at Clubhouse 6—Try out a variety of empanadas. Preorder by calling 959-524-3145 or buy on site from 4-6 p.m.

On-call bus service is available from 4:30 p.m.; regular service before 4:30; and weekends on-call any time. Call a ride at 562-431-6586, ext. 379.

Vendors are subject to change. Watch LW Live for updates. Sign up for notifications at www.lwsb.com/lw-live-sign-up/. For more information, email kathytl@lwsb.com.

Claytime Ceramics

Claytime Ceramics meets on Wednesdays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. in the Clubhouse 4 ceramics room. New members are welcome.

The club’s officers are President Karen Oja, Vice President Ron Hargrove, Treasurer Barbara Hargrove and Secretary Mary Greer. For more information, contact Oja at 714-296-7545.

GARDEN CLUB

Tickets available for club Christmas brunch on Dec. 18

The Garden Club's Christmas brunch will be held Dec. 18 at 11:30 a.m. in Clubhouse 2. Tickets are \$60 and include a buffet of scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, potatoes, muffins and pastries provided by Country Garden Caterers.

Everyone is encouraged to wear their favorite holiday-themed accessories: hats, sweaters, scarves, ties, jewelry, etc. Prizes will be given for various categories, including prettiest, funniest, ugliest accessories. There will also be carolling, door prizes, and opportunity drawings for many gift baskets. To buy tickets, call Nancy Goldstein at 562-896-8604.

Tickets for the club's Dec. 13 tour to the Reagan Library are \$60, which covers bus transportation and admission. The Library will exhibit "Christmas Around The World" with a display of 26 exquisitely decorated Christmas trees, each representing a different country. There will also be an opportunity to visit the gift shop for some Christmas shopping. To buy tickets, call Mary Casdorff at 562-446-9367.

Los Alamitos High School Orchestra

On Dec. 12 at 6 p.m., the Los Alamitos High School Performing Arts Center will host "Nutcracker in a Nutshell," a festive event that will include a holiday craft sale, carolers, hot cocoa and cookies.

At 7 p.m., there will be performances by the Los Alamitos High School Orchestra, Dance Team, the Wind Symphony, McAuliffe Choir, and Los Alamitos Elementary ambassadors. Tickets ranging from \$10-20 can be purchased online by visiting <https://tinyurl.com/LosAlNutcracker23>.

Saturday Morning Dance Class

There are two dance classes every Saturday morning in Clubhouse 6 (second floor). Salsa is at 9 a.m., followed by American tango at 10. Each class is \$7 per person. The class participants vote on new dance topics every month. Prior dance experience is not necessary and partners are not required. For more information, contact Howard Small at 516-659-3314. —Howard Small

Silver Fox Classic Car Club

The car club meets on the second Tuesday of each month in Clubhouse 3, Room 5, at 6 p.m. People don't need a vintage, classic or collectible vehicle to join or participate in the club's activities, just a passion for cars.

December dances announced; two bands will play NYE

Velvetones will play three times in December, including New Year's Eve
The Velvetones Ballroom Dance Orchestra is Leisure World's own professional big band, playing big band swing and jazz standards. They will perform Sunday, Dec. 3 and Dec. 17, from 6-9 p.m. in Clubhouse 4. The Velvetones play regularly at LW Clubhouse 4 on the first and third Sunday evenings, but this year, by popular demand they will be back on New Year's Eve in Clubhouse 4. Doors open at 5:30 p.m.; music goes from 6-9 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 31.

Legends of Rock will play Toy Drive Dance; Vinyl Rock takes a break

Vinyl Rock is taking a break this month, but people won't want to miss the Toy Drive Dance, featuring the Legends of Rock (LoR) at Clubhouse 4 on Saturday, Dec. 9. LoR has already made a name for itself playing under the sponsorship of the Pickleball Club on the second Wednesdays of the month. Entrance is free, but a new, unwrapped toy is required from each attendee. The Toy Drive benefits local youth, sponsored by the Brown Descents Car Club.



The Velvetones Ballroom Dance Orchestra

Abilene will count down New Year's in Clubhouse 2

Abilene will hold its annual New Year's Eve party, on Saturday, Dec. 31, in Clubhouse 2 at 9 p.m. Abilene is Leisure World's No. 1 country rock band going strong for 20 years. Terry Otte leads Abilene and shares singing duties with Tina Schaffer. Rounding out the group are guitarist Rod Anderson, bassist Doug Decker and drummer Jim Greer. Doors open at 8:30; music goes till midnight.

GRF Dance Rules:

- No table saving. People can bring their own snacks.
- Attendees must be out of the club-

house no later than 10 p.m. to permit adequate time for the custodian to tear down the setup and arrange the setup for the following day (except New Year's Eve).

- No announcements are permitted from the stage, except by the bands.
- Clubhouse lighting and audio-visual equipment can only be adjusted by the custodian according to the instructions they have been given.
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Mary Crozier (l) and Mary Solomon at the club's last meeting.

CD Music for Seniors Club

The CD Music for Seniors will hold its holiday party on Dec. 7 at 1 p.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 1. The party is for members and special invited guests only. The club is looking for a piano player or other musician who would like to play holiday music and/or sing-a-longs. The club gives away music CDs to all and it has lots of holiday CDs to give away. The club will meet in February for its first club meeting of 2024. For more information, email Barbara.mcfall4@gmail.com.



Photo Arts Club

The Photo Arts Club will hold a holiday party at the club's regular meeting time on Thursday, Dec. 14, at 1:30 p.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 9. Lunch will be provided. The photos taken on the club's field trip to Sherman Gardens will be shown at that party, so members should email three of their best photos at least three days prior to the party to Ben Benjamins at benbenjamins@hotmail.com. The photo assignment for January will be "reflections." Mirrors, glass, shiny objects and reflections in puddles can be used. For information about the club, call Regine Schumacher at 562-430-7978. —Regine Schumacher

ART LEAGUE



Helen Elich (r) was the raffle winner at the LW Art League meeting held Nov. 14. Helga Batman-Koplin (l) was the guest demonstration artist and she donated her demonstration piece as the raffle prize. There is no Art League meeting in December. The next meeting is on Jan. 9.

Friends of the Library Closures

On Dec. 26, the FOTL Bookstore will close until further notice for remodeling. People should hold all boutique donations, such as decor and other non-book items, starting immediately. Books and card donations will be accepted until the end of November.

CABARET ENTERTAINERS

Show rescheduled to January in CH 2

The Cabaret Entertainers has changed the date of new show "Destinations," which will now be performed on Jan. 6 in Clubhouse 2. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the show starts at 6. This special show is dedicated to the club's beloved President Charlie Guggino, who passed away in October. The club will have the wonderful Eric Nelson as the events master of ceremonies and special guest comedian Adrienne Rosenfeld. The show will feature favorite cabaret performers doing songs that are sure to spark a memory or two. People are encouraged to bring their favorite beverage and snacks and "come to the cabaret."

Art History Club

The Art History Club will hold its "Christmas Music Video 2023" seasonal music appreciation gathering at Clubhouse 4 on Thursday, Dec. 14, from 1-3:30 p.m. The annual meeting celebrates year-end holidays. Everyone is welcome to participate. During the first part of the meeting, participants will appreciate famous liturgical and secular works composed by Bach, Handel, Mozart, Beethoven and Adam. After a brief intermission with refreshments, attendees will watch videos of music by Bach, Beethoven, Gounod, Gomez, Tchaikovsky and Leontovych. For more information, contact Yun Han Choi, 847-708-4790, or Susan Yai, 213-321-6135.



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COMMUNITY

Rollin' Thunder Hosts Air and Water Day this Saturday, Dec. 2

The Rollin' Thunder Golf Cart Club will hold its quarterly Air and Water day on Saturday, Dec. 2, weather permitting.

The popular maintenance event will be in the Clubhouse 4 parking lot from 8:30-10 a.m. Entrance to the cart line-up will be on the exit/alley roadway that connects North Gate Road on the east side of Clubhouse 3. Club volunteers and Security staff will post directional signs and help maintain order.

Club member volunteers will check tire pressure and battery levels and fill them as needed. Many LW residents find these important activities difficult to accomplish. However, ignoring these two maintenance items can lead to blow-outs, premature tire wear, steering accidents and golf carts not starting, or stalling in traffic.

There is never a charge for this valuable service, and all LW golf cart owners are urged to participate. Club membership is not required.

For more information, contact club President Tom Davis at 562-431-6859.

—Roger Bennett



Humanist Association

The LW Humanist Association will meet on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 10:30 a.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 1. The group will watch a YouTube video of Sam Harris and club President Dave Silva will lead a discussion about Harris' views, philosophy and contributions to the advancement of humanism.

Harris is an American philosopher, neuroscientist, author and podcast host. His first book, "The End of Faith," was on the New York Times best seller list for 33 weeks. Harris has written six books, including "Letter to a Christian Nation," "The Moral Landscape," and "Free Will and Waking Up: A Guide to Spirituality Without Religion."

Harris earned a Ph.D in philosophy from the University of California and has become one of the most influential voices in the debate over religion, reality and ethics.



American Latino Club's 2024 club officers.

American Latino Club

The American Latino Club held its board elections on Nov. 9. Members unanimously voted for Miryam Fernandez, president; Maria Rodriguez, vice president; Rachel Fullum, secretary; and Myriam Klotz, treasurer. The new board will begin in January.

The American Latino Club is a multi-cultural volunteer/social club that likes to have fun in a safe, respectful and kind environment. Non-members may visit two times, but by the third time they must register and pay dues.

The club's Christmas-themed event will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 19, in Clubhouse 2 from 11:30 a.m.-3 p.m. The Mariachi Real San Jose will perform.

Lunch will be catered by Tacos Factory. Lunch choices are two tamales (choice of chicken, beef, or pork) rice, beans, and green salad or two tacos with a choice of pork (carnitas), chicken, beef (carne asada) rice and beans. Lunch is \$15 for members and \$17 for guests. Drinks include lemonade, coffee, tea and for dessert sherbert ice cream.

Those with food sensitivities may bring their own food but must let Carmen Edwards know. Those who only want to see the mariachi entertainment should arrive by 1:30 p.m. Tickets are \$5.

Members will be contacted by email or phone for details. All payments and RSVPs must be made to Treasurer Carmen Edwards by Tuesday, Dec. 12, either by U.S. mail or dropping it off at 1240 Oakmont Road, 52-K, Seal Beach, CA, 90740. Make checks payable to American Latino Club.

Be advised that new member yearly dues of \$10 per person will be collected at the January event.

For more information, call Edwards at 562-431-4257.

RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Join the luncheon on Friday

The Retired Teachers Association will host a luncheon on Dec. 1 at 11:30 a.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 9.

William Quemada, a member of the Leisure World Seal Beach/California Retired Teachers Association (CalRTA), will be the guest speaker at the event. His presentation is titled "Every Adventure Begins with a Single Step."

Quemada will share his video of traveling to Tanzania and summiting Mt. Kilimanjaro at 19,340 feet. Quemada has also backpacked the John Muir Trail, the Rim-to-Rim trail in the Grand Canyon, Mount Whitney, Machu Picchu, Mount Blanc in France and the El Camino de Santiago de Compostela. At 74 years of age, Quemada just completed hiking the Bright Angle Trail from the South Rim Grand Canyon with his family (five grandchildren ages 7-14).

In addition to hearing from Quemada, members will receive a complimentary lunch and hear the latest news from CalRTA. For lunch reservations, call Anne Stone at 714-600-6956.



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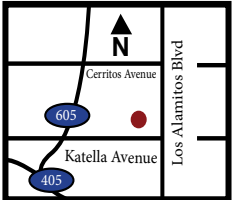
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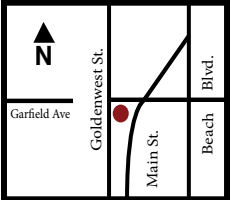


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Sunshine Club

Attorney Sandy Skahen will present a speech titled “What Everyone Needs to Know about TODD, Who May Become Your New Best Friend,” on Friday, Dec. 1 in Clubhouse 3, Room 2, at 10 a.m. for the Sunshine Club.

Anyone over the age of 18 needs to have estate documents in place that can spring into effect upon an accident or illness.

Shahen present an overview of why the power of attorney, the advance health care directive and a will are all necessary documents.

Whether a person needs a trust or whether a transfer deed will suffice in lieu of a trust is the main topic of this presentation. Transfer deeds, known by the acronym TODD, are a faster, less expensive, alternative to the trust that can save an estate from probate.

After attending this talk, residents will understand what they need for their estate plans and how they can prepare plans economically.

Skahen is a staff attorney in Community Legal Aid SoCal’s (CLA SoCal) Seniors Unit. She received her J.D. in 2002 from Chapman University Fowler School of Law. She completed an LL.M. in Taxation and decided that she wanted to practice elder law because she was interested in family succession issues. She was a clinical professor of law teaching at the Alona Cortese Elder Law Clinic at Chapman until 2022. At CLA SoCal, Skahen enjoys the wider outreach practicing in the Seniors Unit and has a special interest in the estate planning challenges facing families of the mentally ill and developmentally disabled.

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Japanese American Club

The Japanese American Club will hold its Christmas party at the East Buffet, 12100 East Carson Street in Hawaiian Gardens, on Thursday, Dec. 7, at 11:30 a.m. East Buffet’s phone number is 562-425-8888.

The club will charge \$15 for members and \$20 for nonmembers for the lunch (does not include drinks). The club’s phone committee will be calling to get a count. For more information about the club or meeting, call Sherie Vanek at 714-916-6313.



Sandy Skahen

organization with offices in southeast Los Angeles County (Compton and Norwalk). Its mission is to fight injustice and advocate for social, economic and racial equity by providing compassionate, holistic and impactful legal services.

All residents are welcome to join this meeting. The Sunshine Club requires no membership fees, but donations are welcome. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information, call Anna Derby at 562-301-5339.

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Approximately 80 classes, including 26 new ones and several free programs, will be offered covering a wide variety of subjects. They include personal finance, computer skills, music, art, crafting, fitness and wellness, Spanish, French writing, literature history, current events, and food and movie discussion groups.

The eight-week session begins on Jan. 8, 2024, and is open to all adults aged 50 and over. Annual membership is \$40, and classes are \$15 each.

For more information including registration, visit the OLLI website, www.csulb.edu/olli.

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LWer is collecting items for homeless and at-risk youth

Susan Hopewell collects donated items for the homeless and for at-risk students. Items needed are new or clean used towels, new/unopened travel and normal size shampoo, soap, lotion, disposable razors, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, sunscreen, adult diapers, women’s hygiene products, energy and protein bars, chapstick and lip balm.

The only accepted clothing items for donation are new socks and underwear for men and women.

To donate any of these items, contact Hopewell at 562-430-6044 or Linda Neer at 562-430-3214 for pick up.

People may also leave donations on Hopewell’s patio in Mutual 6, 62-A, or Neer’s patio in Mutual 2, 48-A.

Donations will be delivered to the Long Beach Multi-Service Center, which provides a variety of services to homeless individuals and families, including shower services, or to Gardena High School, which provides a variety of services to at-risk students.

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Members enjoy the Sunshine Club's 2022 holiday party that included an Asian buffet luncheon.

Sunshine Club Holiday Party

The Sunshine Club encourages people to sign up for the holiday party on Dec. 15. The party will be held in Clubhouse 3, Room 2 from 10:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Entertainment will be provided by the Song Birdz, the duo of Nina DeRosa and Pam Krug who will conduct a holiday sing-a-long. All are welcome to join the holiday party. Tickets are \$20 per person and will include a Korean buffet lunch. The last day to sign up for the lunch is Dec. 1. For more information about the Sunshine Club, contact Anna Derby at 562-301-5339.



Sunshine Club members present GAF board members (in red vests) with donation.

Sunshine Club donates to the Golden Age Foundation

The Sunshine Club donated \$2,000 to the Golden Age Foundation (GAF), to go toward its partnership with Meals on Wheels Long Beach, which serves LW residents. The Sunshine Club raised the money by going on two day trips this year. In June, club members visited the Huntington Library, and November they went to the Academy Museum of Motion Pictures. These activities helped raise enough funds to donate \$2,000 to the GAF, which is the club's designated charity. The GAF will give the club's money to Meals On Wheels Long Beach with a specific designation to those in Leisure World only, keeping the donation in the community. Using funds raised with

rummage sales and bus trips, the Sunshine Club has donated to the GAF every year since 2013. This donation of \$2,000 brought the club's contribution to the GAF to a total of \$8,970. During the pandemic in April 2020, the Sunshine Club also donated 400 facemasks worth \$1,200, when shareholders could not get the items because of high demand. In 2021, the club donated a second bus bench, which is located in front of Building 5 Recreation Office. The first bench is in front of the Health Care Center Pharmacy. Both benches offer a place for residents who need to sit while waiting for a bus. The Sunshine Club meetings continue to attract residents with an average attendance between 45-55 people on any given Friday; occasionally the room reaches maximum capacity. Attendance is quite a contrast from the first meeting with 12 shareholders reading the LW Weekly. Frequent questions and comments about the articles in the newspaper resulted in the club inviting members of the GRF staff to attend and share information to the gathering. The club began on Jan. 12, 2012, and is now in its 11th year, continuing its mission of "building bridges for a brighter Leisure World" and to help all people assimilate into the Leisure World community,

promote better communication, and understanding important information in the community. The club requires no membership or registration fees. With no inclination to politics or religion, the club is dedicated to harmony and maintaining good relations with neighbors and friends. From 2013-2017, the club raised funds with rummage sales. Then the club began to take a couple of day trips a year to provide an opportunities for members who unable to drive, so they can enjoy the fun sites Los Angeles has to offer. For more information about the Sunshine Club, go to lwsb.com, click on the "Social" tab, and scroll to find the Sunshine Club. The Sunshine Club would like to thank the community and shareholders for their continuous support and attendance at the club meetings, and for their generous donations which support of the club's refreshments. The club meets in Clubhouse 3, Room 2, every Friday morning from 10 a.m.-noon. The presentation is from 10-11, followed by the club's general meeting, which deals with the business of the club and local Leisure World activities. All residents are welcome to join. For more information about the club, text Anna Derby at 562-301-5339.

Golden Age Foundation Mobility Aids

Mobility aids are loaned out to the community as needed. They are located downstairs in Clubhouse 6 and open from Monday-Friday, 9-11 a.m., . For more information or to volunteer, go to www.GoldenAgeFdn.org or call 562-431-9589.

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VIETNAMESE AMERICAN CLUB



The Vietnamese American Club celebrated Thanksgiving with good food and good music together with 112 members and guests on Nov. 12. For more information about the club, contact An Truong at andtruong22@gmail.com.

Democratic Club

by Mary Larson
 LW contributor

The SBLW Democratic Club's will meet today, Nov. 30, in Clubhouse 3, room 9 at 1 p.m. California Sen. Dave Min will attend this meeting in person. Members and supporters can join the meeting online or by phone. To receive the For Zoom meeting login information, email sblwdemocraticclub@gmail.com.

Last weekend, Min received the official endorsement of the Democratic Party for election to Congress for LW's District 47. Min and community activist Joanna Weiss will be the principal Democrats running to represent Leisure World's district in congress to appear on the primary ballot. Their best-known Republican challenger will be former California State Legislator Scott Baugh. The top two vote-getters in this contest will go on to run against each other in the November General Election.

This race in California's 47th District is expected to be highly competitive as it is a slightly "blue" suburban district with no incumbent.

Both House Democrats and Republicans have listed winning the district among their highest-priorities in 2024. President Joe Biden won the district with 54.5% of the vote in the 2020 presidential election.

During the party's convention on Nov. 17-18, none of the three major candidates running for the U.S. Senate were able to secure the number of votes necessary for endorsement.

Barbara Lee received 41.5% of the votes cast. Adam Schiff was a close second with 40.18%. Katie Porter finished third with just over 16%. Lexi Reese, a fourth candidate, only received three votes.

An endorsement from the Democratic party can boost a campaign in what looks to be a very competitive 2024 primary. However, it has not always been a signal as to how the wider electorate will vote.

Potential LW voters braved the threat of a heavy rain to attend the club's November Voter Education session. They were treated to a lively discussion about how to evaluate judges who will appear on the March ballot. Attorney

Theresa Danton, who hopes to move into Leisure World someday, covered a wide range of topics. She also provided participants with a voters guide to Judicial Elections. A copy of the guide will be available on the Advocacy Table at the November club membership meeting.

There will be no Democratic Club membership meeting or Voter Education Session in December. In its place, several of the Neighbor to Neighbor Get Out the Vote 2024 coordinators are planning to hold smaller social events in their respective Mutuels.

The LW Democratic Club believes health care is a right, diversity is a strength, the economy should work for everyone, and that facts and truth matter. Everything appearing in these press releases and our semi-monthly newsletters has been fact checked to the fullest extent possible.

All LW Democrats and supporters are invited to subscribe to the club's electronic newsletter by emailing mlarson.telfords@gmail.com. Include complete contact information, including party registration, in the request.



Aurora and Sofronia Abreras (l) received help signing up for the Ralphs Community Rewards program last week.

Give Where You Live: Golden Age Foundation

While many residents will spend a lot of money on groceries, especially during the holidays, the Ralphs Community Reward Program offers a way to donate to the GAF while grocery shopping without having to pay additional fees at the register.

This is currently the only active and ongoing fundraising project for the GAF. Every Wednesday, GAF board members are downstairs in Clubhouse 6 to help residents to sign up for the program from 9-11 a.m.

Another way people can sign up for the program is by going to www.ralphs.com/community_rewards. People will need to use the phone number related to their Ralphs Reward Card to register. People can also call the Ralphs Reward registration phone number at 800-576-4377. The GAF's nonprofit organization (NPO) number association with Ralphs FS 519.

During the holidays, the GAF board will take a break from Dec. 20 to Jan. 10. No GAF Board volunteers will be there to assist residents in signing up during that time.



Golden Age Foundation volunteers filled 16 battery recycle boxes.

Recycling event collects nearly 700 pounds of used batteries

The Golden Age Foundation (GAF) filled 16 battery recycling boxes weighing 43 pounds each on Nov. 21. The boxes were filled by 11:30 a.m., leaving some residents unable to turn in batteries. The battery recycling process is fairly complex and regulated, requiring GAF to purchase special, approved boxes to collect and ship the batteries to the recycle facility. Each box costs approximately \$70 and can hold 43 pounds of batteries. The GAF plans on having more boxes available at its next event on Tuesday, March 19, from 10 a.m.-noon.

Residents can take batteries of all sizes, paints, cleaners, oils and pesticides that contain potentially hazardous ingredients, as well as E-waste such as televisions, tablets, cell phones and computers, to the Orange County Waste and Recycling for free all year long. The nearest facility is located in Huntington Beach at 17121 Nichols Lane, Huntington Beach, CA 92647, Gate 6. It is open from 9 a.m.-3p.m., Tuesday-Saturday. Its number is 714-834-4000.

The GAF thanks the volunteers who sorted, wrapped, and packed to make it happen. They are Carl Kennedy, Sophie Jin, Beth Greely, Cheryl Falconer, Rosemarie Da Roza, Fara McCartney, Dave Four-Knee, Al Basler and Anna Derby.

—Carl Kennedy

FRENCH CLUB



The French Club celebrated its end-of-year meeting with a French potluck. The club will not meet in November and December. For information contact andtruong22@gmail.com.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY



LWers are invited to join the American Legion Auxiliary for bingo on Sunday, Dec. 3, in Clubhouse 2. Doors open at 1 p.m., game play begins at 1:30. Come support local veterans and their families while having fun. The American Legion Auxiliary meets every third Monday at 1 p.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 1. Those interested in joining can contact Dianne Hart at 714-955-2885 for an application.

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RELIGION

Community Church Christmas Bazaar

Taylor White, president of the LW Theater Club, had a sneak peek at some of the items that will be offered for sale at the Leisure World Community Church Christmas Bazaar this Friday and Saturday, Dec. 1-2, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the church hall. There will be so many items to choose from, including craft items, a pet gift table, homemade sweets, Grandmas Attic and more. There will also be a "bowl and a roll" lunch offering and coffee at \$1 a cup. The Community Church is located near St. Andrews Gate. Everyone is welcome.

SA-RANG CHURCH



Sa-Rang Church will hold a special Christmas event on Sunday, Dec. 3, at 10:50 a.m. in the Clubhouse 3 Lobby. All residents are welcome to join church members in celebrating the upcoming Christmas season with hymns, live music, testimony, delicious meals, gifts and, most importantly, the word of God.

Redeemer Lutheran and St. Theodore's

Redeemer Lutheran Church and St. Theodore of Canterbury Episcopal Church invite all residents to join them this Sunday, Dec. 3, to begin the Advent journey to Christmas. Bishop Murray Finck will celebrate the holy Communion service at 10:30 a.m. in the church sanctuary at 13564 St. Andrew's Drive. Nancy Anderson will be the reader and prayer leader.

People are asked to bring canned/boxed food for the food gathering for the hungry in Orange County.

This Sunday's gospel message is full of dire portents, but Californians understand the power of Mother Nature in facing floods, earthquakes, wildfires and drought. Just as Californians face natural disasters, they also prepare and watch for signs of them. This is what believers are also called to do as they prepare for Christmas: watch for signs of God in their own lives and be ready. This week, the church will also reflect on the idea of hope as it lights the advent wreath candles. Believers wait in hope for Jesus to come again and in hope celebrate the reminder of the Lord and savior coming as man to walk the journey of life.

Buddha Circle

Buddha Circle will meet on Saturday, Dec. 2, in Clubhouse 3, Room 1, from 9:30-11 a.m. with Venerable Kusala, who presents Buddhism in a simple way. In his lessons, he teaches people how to suffer less and become happier.

For more information, call 714-468-6887.

Faith Christian Assembly

Faith Christian Assembly is excited to host the Cornell Trio at its Sunday evening service with Christmas-themed music on Dec. 3 at 5:30. With rich family harmony, lively and energetic style, humor, and love for God, the Cornell Trio encourage and uplift people wherever they minister. The group has travelled throughout the United States and the world, performing in churches, conventions and fairs, and even

appearing in concert with the very best in Southern Gospel Music.

Residents are welcome to come and enjoy music that is sure to add to the joy of the Christmas season and the celebration of the birth of the savior.

Sunday service times are 10:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. The pre-service prayer begins at 5. Residents are welcome to join the Bible study groups on

Wednesday mornings at 11 a.m. The church is located at 13820 Seal Beach Blvd., Seal Beach.

To receive a copy of the free monthly newsletter or more information on the church, contact the office during business hours Tuesday-Friday by calling at 562-598-9010 or emailing at contact@fcachurch.net.

People can also visit the website at www.FCAchurch.net to learn more.

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Pastor's Message

Among many incredible women in the bible, Sarah, the wife of Abraham, is sometimes overlooked. Her story is told in Genesis beginning in chapter 11, verse 29, when Abram took her as his wife and continues until Genesis 23:2 when she dies at the age of 127 years. This is interesting in the fact that the age of no other women in scripture is recorded.

Throughout the story of her life, moments of Sarah's unbelief are recorded throughout scripture. Like her husband, she went through grievous trials. The most significant trial for Sarah was one of infertility. But God had a very special plan

for this woman, and it seems that he preserved her life to old age because of his plan, giving believers evidence that people don't always know what tremendous things God has in store for their lives.

Sarah conceived, miraculously orchestrated by God, and gave birth to her son Isaac at 90 years old. Isaac was the first of the line of Abraham that ultimately resulted in the birth of Jesus, the Messiah, through that same lineage. Isaiah 51:1-2 says, "Listen to me, you who seek righteousness, you who seek the Lord; look to the rock from which you were hewn, and to the hole of the pit from which you were dug. Look to Abraham your father, and to Sarah who bore you; for I called him alone and blessed him and increased him."

Abraham grieved and mourned at the passing of Sarah as she was buried. He turned his thoughts to his own number of days and said, "I am a foreigner and a visitor among you." His thoughts were not on

his earthly home. Abraham's faith had grown to the point that he understood he is a sojourner, just passing through this time and place. The apostle Paul says in Philippians 3:21, "For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus." Just as Abraham was just passing, so are believers.

Weekend Services

Sunday services, from 9:30-10:45 a.m., are traditional with hymnal music led by Janet Ray with Pat Kogak at the piano. This week, Al and Sherry Parmenter will sing.

Saturday services, from 9:30-10:45 a.m., include contemporary songs of worship, led by Gregory Black with guitar and vocal accompaniment.

Midweek Studies

Melli Herrera leads the women's Bible study on Mondays from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Pastor Gary Whitlatch leads the Tuesday Bible study from 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Pastor Bruce Humes leads the Thursday Bible study from

10:30-11:30 a.m.

Humes also leads the prayer Bible study on Fridays from 6-7 p.m.

All are welcome to join any of the Bible studies.

Scripture of the Week

"Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign: Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call his name Immanuel. God is with us," Isaiah 7:14.

This prophecy was spoken 700 years before the birth of Jesus.

Contact

First Christian Church is located on Northwood Road behind Carport 125. For more information or to receive prayer, call 562-431-8810.

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Congregation Sholom

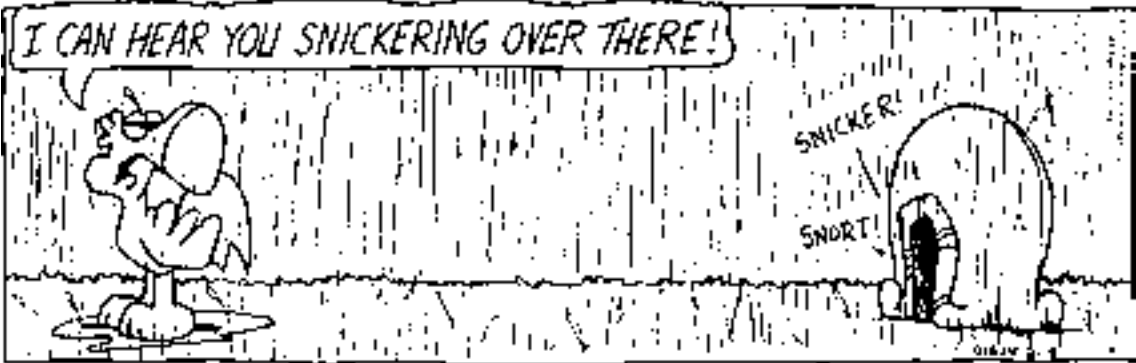
Congregation Sholom will hold services with Rabbi Ericc Dangott via Zoom on Friday, Dec. 1, at 6:30 p.m. Rabbi Mike Mymon will lead the hybrid service on Saturday, Dec. 2, in Clubhouse 3, Room 9, and Zoom at 10 a.m.

Saturday's Torah reading will be Vayishlach from the book of Genesis. Vayishlach (He Sent) follows Jacob and his family as Jacob wrestles with a man (commonly understood as an angel), is renamed Israel, and reconciles with his brother, Esau. Jacob's daughter, Dina, is raped by a Hivite prince, and her brothers sack a city in response. Rachel dies as she gives birth to Jacob's youngest child, Benjamin. To receive a Zoom invitation contact Jeff Sacks at 714-642-0122.

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Puzzle Answers

Puzzle pages 6-7



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P	E	A	S	A	N	I	T	RACK 1 = 65				
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Crossword Answers

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Sudoku 1 Answers

9	5	4	3	7	2	6	8	1
7	3	8	6	5	1	2	9	4
2	6	1	9	8	4	7	5	3
3	9	7	4	2	5	8	1	6
1	2	5	8	3	6	9	4	7
4	8	6	1	9	7	3	2	5
8	4	9	5	6	3	1	7	2
5	7	3	2	1	8	4	6	9
6	1	2	7	4	9	5	3	8

The Basic Rules of Sudoku:
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• Each row must contain all of the numbers 1 through 9 and no two numbers in the same row of a Sudoku puzzle can be the same.
• Each block must contain all of the numbers 1 through 9 and no two numbers in the same block of a Sudoku puzzle can be the same.

Jumble Answers

LINLN HASTY SWLRLV MUFFLL
The ocean's undulations were making it possible for the surfers to have — A SWEET TIME

Sudoku 2 Answers

7	2	8	4	6	9	3	1	5
9	1	3	8	2	5	4	7	6
4	6	5	7	1	3	2	9	8
8	5	7	1	3	6	9	4	2
6	4	1	9	7	2	8	5	3
2	3	9	5	4	8	7	6	1
3	9	2	6	5	7	1	8	4
5	7	4	2	8	1	6	3	9
1	8	6	3	9	4	5	2	7

Guess Who?

Nico Hischer

Crypto Fun Answers

A. champagne B. midnight C. resolution

Boggle BrainBusters Answers

WALL LIPS FORDS WINGS WIGGS LINGS COPS DOTS LINGS

Word-Find Answers

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K	V	W	Y	E	C	O	R	A	D	N	E	L	A	C	N	N	J	J	G
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Community Church

All LW residents are invited to Community Church's annual Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 1-2 from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The event will include hand-crafted items, home-baked goods, cards, Grandma's Attic and a "bowl and a roll" lunch in a fun and festive environment.

Each Sunday worship service is followed by a time of fellowship and light refreshment. People are invited to come early for a cup of coffee in the narthex. Community Church is located inside Leisure World near the St. Andrew's Gate at 14000 Church Place.

People may also join the service via livestream on Facebook at @CommunityChurchLeisureWorld and on Zoom. People should contact the church office for the Zoom link.

Those who are in need without another way to address it may call the church office to leave a message at 562-431-2503

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

Meetings for the Atherton Ward are held at 6500 E. Atherton St., Long Beach. Sacrament service is held every Sunday at 10:30 a.m., followed in the second hour by Sunday School on the first and third Sundays, and Relief Society and Elders Quorum on the second and fourth Sundays. Primary Classes for children are held every Sunday during the second hour.

The reading source for this year is the New Testament. The reading assignment for the week of Dec. 4-10 is Revelation 1-5. The "Come Follow Me" lesson manual says "Have you ever struggled to express to others what you felt during a powerful spiritual experience? Everyday language can feel inadequate to describe spiritual feelings and impressions. Perhaps this is why John used such rich symbolism and imagery to describe his majestic revelation.

LW Baptist

The Christmas carol says, "When Mary birthed Jesus 'twas in a cow's stall, with wise men and farmers and shepherds and all/But high from God's heaven a star's light did fall/The promise of ages it then did recall." LW Baptist's Sunday worship at 10 a.m. in Clubhouse 4, reflects on the Emmanuel's coming.

The prophet Daniel pointed to Christ's birth 600 years before, while residing as chief over all Babylon's wisemen. Knowing the prophetic Scriptures, he pointed them to Moses' words, "a star from Jacob shall arise, a scepter from Israel" as well as Isaiah's, "Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings."

Christian Women's Bible Study

The Christian Women's Fellowship and Bible Study group will meet Monday, Dec. 11, at 10 a.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 6. The group will talk about chapters 7 and 8 in John McArthur's book. Call Jean Davidson at 562-431-0597 for more information.

Buddha Circle

Buddha Circle will meet on Saturday, Dec. 2, in Clubhouse 3, Room 1, from 9:30-11 a.m. with Venerable Kusala, who presents Buddhism in a simple way. In his lessons, he teaches people how to suffer less and become happier. For more information, call 714-468-6887.

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LW Korean Community Church

Leisure World Korean Community Church (LWKCC), led by Rev. Dr. Yong Jang Young, celebrated Thanksgiving on Nov. 19. Pastor Yong Jang-young preached a sermon titled, "What I am Thankful for is..." from 1 Timothy 1:12-16.

There was also an infant baptism ceremony of Dean Nathaniel Ching, who is also the grandson of Pastor Yong Jang-young.

After the service, members prepared 12 turkeys in the fellowship room and enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner together. Pastor Yong Jang-young presided over the festival that has been held for 23 years. Ten teams appeared in the singing competition. Team leader Seong-suk Lee, and vice-team leader Soon-ik Lee brought their team to the grand prize by singing "Heavenly Hipster" with a dance. In addition, "On Our One Fine Day, Four Bears" Team Onew, with team leader Choi Ok-ja and vice-team leader



Seong-Suk's team won the grand prize in the singing competition by singing "Heavenly Hipster."

Hong Jeong-eun, Park Seong-ja), took second place. Third place went to the Joy Team, led by team leader Grace E, and vice team leaders Heo Sang-bok, Park Mi-young.

A memorial service for the late Elder Park Cheol (March 13, 1931- Nov. 17, 2023), of Mutual 3 was held at the parish with the senior pastor officiating and the bereaved family members and parishioners participating. The LW choir sang "The Road I Take for My Life," which was

the Cheol's favorite song.

LWKCC is a nesting church of LW Community Church at 14000 Church Place. Every Sunday worship service is held at 11:50 a.m. in the sanctuary, and the early morning prayer meetings are held Tuesday-Saturday at 6 a.m. in the sanctuary under the guidance of the senior pastor. Breakfast is held in the fellowship room after the Saturday prayer meeting. For more information, call 714-323-0897 or email revyong@hanmail.net.

Assembly of God

Christmas is the celebration of a promise fulfilled and hope for the future. God sent the promised savior who would reconcile mankind's broken relationship with God. Through Jesus, believers are provided assurance of forgiveness and eternal life. Pastor Chuck Franco will teach a sermon titled "The

Promised Hope," from Isaiah 7:14 and 53:5 on Sunday, Dec. 3.

The devotional series "Faith in Hostile Times," by Berni Dymet, wraps up this week. The lesson encourages students to effectively bring the light of Christ into the darkness of this world.

Assembly of God meets Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in Clubhouse

3, Room 2. The Wednesday Bible study is at 10 a.m. in Clubhouse 3, Room 2. More information can be found at www.lwassemblyofgod.com, or Facebook at the Leisure World Assembly of God Church page. Contact the church at 562-357-4360, or pastorchuck@lwassemblyofgod.com.

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17-93A	\$482,000	7-146i	\$250,000
1-38E	\$215,000	9-210A	\$510,000
7-161i	\$330,000	1-8E	\$255,000
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**Mutual
5-90-B
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Mutual 7 – 174h N. Fairfield
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Microwave, NEW W/Dryer,
Kitchen Island, Xtra Cabs,
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Dual Pane Windows, Blinds,
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Listed 12-77h	Listed 1-47h	Listed 15- 21b	Buyers Agt. 7-164l
Listed 10-238b	Listed 15-29j	Listed 14-19e	Buyers Agt. 15-11d
Listed 15-22a	Listed 7-163k	Listed 2-37i	Buyers Agt. 10-248c
Listed 15-43e	Listed 5-115i	Buyers Agt. 7-176c	Buyers Agt. 4-47j
Listed 15-10f	Listed 7-158b	Buyers Agt. 14-25e	Buyers Agt. 10-249b
Listed 5-103l	Listed 14-18b	Buyers Agt. 12-64g	

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New Listings

2 Bedroom
Corner, Expanded
M5 125F
Under Contract
\$379,000

2 Bedroom 1 Bath
L Shaped Patio
Central Heat/Air
Move in Ready
M12 47H \$330,000

2 Bedroom 1 Bath
L Shaped Patio
Move in Ready
M2 1J \$325,000

Coming Soon

2 Bed 2 Bath New Remodel
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Mutual 2 -24G
\$545,000
Great location, great features,
fully expanded corner,
1 ½ baths, washer & dryer,
must see to appreciate!



Mutual 14 -49LG
\$450,000
Desirable Mutual 14 location, 2 BDR,
1 Bath, fully expanded corner with
a large side patio, washer & dryer,
Central A/C Heat, large skylights.
Laminate Flooring.



Mutual 7 -162H
\$475,000
Move-in ready, 2 BDR/ 1 bath, beauti-
fully staged, drive-up convenience, fully
expanded, central A/C heat, new white
cabinetry, new appliances, formal dining,
built in breakfast island and dining
room hutch, washer & dryer and more!




Mutual 4 -79G
\$435,000
Move-in ready, 2 BDR/ 1 Bath corner
drive-up corner on a beautiful
greenbelt, fully upgraded.
New maple cabinetry, new appliances,
laminate flooring, Walk-in closet,
plantation shutters and more!


UNDER CONTRACT




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One-Bedroom

Mutual 8 - 185K **\$299,000**
Charming, ready to move in, with cozy garden patio.

Two-Bedrooms

Mutual 2-7G **\$315,000**
Basic unit ready to be made a
home.

Mutual 15-37R **\$319,000**
A must see!

Mutual 2-68G **\$399,000**
Expanded corner close to carport

Mutual 4-46F **\$409,000**
West facing unit w/ green view

Mutual 1-6F **\$625,000**
Rare Find! 2 Bedroom, 2 Bath with
an extra room that can be used as an
office or guest bedroom

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Mutual 15-37R \$315,000

This lovely corner two bedroom one-and three-quarter bathroom home is light, bright, and ready to move in. The spacious living room overlooks an enclosed patio sunroom and a lovely Greenbelt view. The kitchen has built-in appliances including a stove top, oven, refrigerator, microwave, and dishwasher. It provides a tremendous amount of cupboard space and has a solar tube for brightness. The main corner bedroom has a separate closet dressing area, and the windows overlook a beautiful Greenbelt with an abundance of trees. The main bath has tile flooring, a bathtub with shower, and a solar tube. The second bedroom features a large wardrobe closet, lots of extra storage space, and a view of the beautiful greenbelt. The second bathroom has a stall shower and solar tube for brightness. This terrific floor plan has central heating and air conditioning, laminate flooring in the living room, bedrooms, and hallway, and has recently been painted throughout.

Be sure to stop by and see this terrific home that is located in the Resort-Like Community of Seal Beach.



Mutual 8-185K \$299,000

Charming and ready to move in. This special expanded one bedroom one bathroom unit has many upgraded features. The spacious living room has been expanded and features a ceiling fan, heat pump with air conditioning, and sliding glass doors to a cozy garden patio. The kitchen is remodeled with newer cabinets, quartz like counter tops, tile back splash, built-in stove top, oven, refrigerator, dishwasher, microwave, an oversize skylight, and recessed lighting. The Bedroom is fully expanded and has a wardrobe closet, ceiling fan, and a half wall divider. The front portion of the bedroom may be used as an office, exercise or craft room, or extra sleeping area and features a bay window with storage and double pane sliding glass doors to quaint patio. The bathroom has an updated vanity and counters, tile floors, and an oversized skylight. The bedroom, hall and living room have plank flooring. The charming patio has storage, a gate, and side views of beautiful green belt areas. Enjoy the morning sun from this beautiful northeast facing location. This lovely home is located in the resort-like community of Leisure World Seal Beach featuring over 200 clubs, organizations, and activities including a 9-hole 3-par golf course, swimming pool and Jacuzzi, gym, library, health care center and much, much more.



Mutual 3-29K \$229,000

Available one bedroom one bathroom cottage located on the street for drive-up convenience. This terrific one bedroom has a spacious living room with added heat pump & air conditioning and laminate plank flooring. The kitchen has white cabinets, built in Leisure World appliances including a stove, oven, refrigerator, laminate plank flooring and a ceiling fan. The bedroom has laminate plank flooring and a wardrobe closet. The bathroom has a cut down shower for walkin convenience. The central location allows you to walk to downtown Leisure World, as well as the 9-hole 3 par golf course, swimming pool, Jacuzzi, gym, amphitheater, post office and health care center. Located in the lovely resort-like community of Leisure World Seal Beach featuring over 200 clubs, organizations and activities including 6 club houses and features table tennis, wood working shops, billiards rooms, bocce ball court, shuffleboard, library, card and exercise groups, sewing, craft and art rooms, picnic area with BBQ, and so much more.

Enjoy the quaint downtown area of Seal Beach, the morning sun, and the wonderful ocean breezes.



PENDING

Mutual 11-273L
Mutual 1-25I
Mutual 2-26C
Mutual 1-26B

SOLD 2023

Mutual 8-188C
Mutual 1-30K
Mutual 5-91J
Mutual 11-267C
Mutual 1-26L
Mutual 11-268F
Mutual 4-50F
Mutual 9-212C
Mutual 6-143A
Mutual 9-225C
Mutual 9-230D
Mutual 11-283D
Mutual 4-51D
Mutual 8-189D

SOLD 2022

Mutual 14-17B
Mutual 8-188H
Mutual 8-189B
Mutual 2-40J
Mutual 2-49B
Mutual 2-17G
Mutual 9-59G
Mutual 6- 117L
Mutual 15-39A
Mutual 10-258H
Mutual 6-135I
Mutual 10-258B
Mutual 1-31E
Mutual 5- 117L
Mutual 12-61C
Mutual 2-63H
Mutual 3-4F
Mutual 4-88G
Mutual 2-3B
Mutual 2-8C
Mutual 10 -250J
Mutual 11-286B
Mutual 12-61A
Mutual 11-286I
Mutual 5-117G
Mutual 2-46H
Mutual 1-67E
Mutual 4-49G
Mutual 8-183G
Mutual 11-285D
Mutual 9-216H
Mutual 7-164L
Mutual 2-6G
Mutual 11-285A
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Mutual 7-165E

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1200 Canoe Brook Dr #19D | M3 | \$359,000

Pristine 2bed/1bath with wrap around custom tiled patio! AC heat pumps in bedroom and living room, newer wood floors throughout. Kitchen equipped with dishwasher and microwave. Dual pane windows with shutters throughout!



13199 El Dorado Dr #208D | M9 | \$359,000

2Bed/1bath interior location with full expansion. Tile floors throughout and skylights in the kitchen and bathroom. Large bay window in living room. Walk-in closet in main bedroom with a formal dining room area!



*Price Improvement

13110 Seaview Ln #245F | M10 | \$419,000

Corner partially expanded 2bed/1bath drive-up and greenbelt location with dual pane windows, skylights, central AC, outdoor storage closet, tiled patio, walk-in closet!



13346 El Dorado Rd #193D | M8 | \$339,000

2Bed/1Bath patio home on greenbelt. Granite counters, dual pane windows, shutters, new carpet/fresh paint. Skylights in kitchen and bath w/cutdown shower. AC heat pump with outdoor storage closet!



*Price Improvement

1541 Northwood Rd #273C | M11 | \$435,000

Fully expanded 2bed/2bath with dual pane bay windows. Laminate and tile flooring throughout. Outdoor and interior storage with central HVAC. Skylights galore and stackable washer/dryer!



In Escrow

13751 St Andrews Dr #33B | M1 | \$224,000

Redone 1bed/1bath interior unit with nice patio complete with engineered flooring and newer tile in kitchen and bathroom. Kitchen is also equipped with updated appliances.

11/27/2023 - Year To Date MLS Activity

■ For Sale

■ In Escrow

■ Closed Sale

Month	For Sale	In Escrow	Closed Sale
Jan	55	38	15
Feb	52	40	25
Mar	55	58	20
Apr	68	50	38
May	65	45	30
Jun	52	60	32
July	42	60	25
Aug	45	52	38
Sept	45	55	30
Oct	50	50	38
Nov	50	50	20
Dec			

On November 27th, 2023 a total of 49 units show as active listings on the CRMLS
(this is where Realtors list property for sale)

4 - 1 bedroom/1 bath units
from \$225,000 to \$308,000

26 - 2 bedrooms/1 bath units
from \$299,000 to \$500,000

19 - 2 bedrooms/2 baths units
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THIRD QUARTER MARKET UPDATE – SOLD UNITS

July 2023 thru September 2023

BASIC UNITS

1 Bedroom: \$212,000 to \$259,000
2 Bedroom – Inside: \$260,000 to \$399,000
2 Bedroom – Corners: \$275,000 to \$360,000

EXPANDED UNITS

1 Bedroom: \$229,000 to \$299,500
Exception: Modern expansion; everything redone - \$342,500
2 Bedroom – Inside: \$290,000 to \$450,000
Units with 1+ baths: \$399,000 to \$529,000
2 Bedroom – Corners: \$325,000 to \$425,000
2 Bedroom Units with 1+ baths: \$400,000 to \$576,000
Exception: MODERN expansion; Fabulous - \$631,000

MUTUAL 15

2 Bedroom Apartment Style - \$310,000 to \$425,000
Atriums (all with 1+ baths): \$475,000 to \$610,000

MUTUAL 17 – CONDOS

Condos: \$437,000 to \$460,000

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