

# Seashore News



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## FROM THE HELM

Generally I try to make my monthly remarks for the *Seashore News* positive and upbeat. That is more difficult today. Last night many residents and I attended the Annual Meeting for Niguel Shores hoping to find out the results of our annual election. The meeting had to be immediately adjourned for lack of a quorum. To have a quorum we needed 481 homeowners to return ballots. We received only 457 ballots out of 960 by meeting time. The Board candidates who generously agreed to run and serve could not find out if they had been elected because ballots cannot be counted without a quorum. Without a majority of ballots cast the CC&R amendment that needed to be passed will have to be offered again next year. Apparently many homeowners did not think that voting in this elec-

tion mattered or could not be bothered to make the effort.

Thankfully there are many people who own homes in Niguel Shores who do care. They streamed into the meeting after work, carrying their ballots and doing their best to support their community. I thank them for their effort and concern. They, and the efforts of the many volunteers who support Niguel Shores by serving on committees, make our community a great place to live. There, I got to end my comments on a positive and upbeat note.

By the way, don't miss the Beach Bluff BBQ on May 29 and the In-N-Out Mobile Truck at the Bluff on June 11. Our Recreation Committee gives you plenty of opportunities to party with your neighborhood friends.

— Steve Stewart



## MEET OUR NIGUEL SHORES 2011 GRADUATES



Many Niguel Shores residents look forward to June as the beginning of our wonderful summer season. I recently had an opportunity to meet with a group of Niguel Shores residents who are especially excited about this June's arrival. Laura Beresford, Sam Fitzmaurice and Colleen McNaught are all graduating from Dana Hills High School this month and they shared with me some of the highlights of their high school careers and their plans for after graduation.

Laura Beresford grew up in Niguel Shores, going to the beach, swimming in the pool and playing in the parks. It was a wonderful and fun-filled time. Laura



Dana Hills High School Graduates: Colleen McNaught, Sam Fitzmaurice & Laura Beresford

played soccer all through elementary and junior high school and was a natural runner. When she began Dana Hills as a freshman, Laura gravitated toward the cross country and track teams. She ran both sports all four years. She was invited to run in the Nike Nationals in her sophomore year and ran for Team USA in the world Mountain Running Championships in Slovenia (Wow!). Aside from Laura's stellar running career, she is also very involved in the National Honor Society and the

California Scholastic Federation. Laura had several options when it came time for college. She received letters of interest from the United States Naval Academy; she

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**Annual Election** — May 17: Unfortunately we did not have the required voting quorum to hold the Annual Membership Meeting on May 17. As such, the meeting was adjourned and reconvened on May 23, 2011 with the reduced voting quorum requirement of 25% +1. We did meet that quorum requirement and the results of the Board of Directors Election, CC&R Amendment, and Amendment to the Bylaws is posted in the reader board in the Community Center.

**2011 Rule Changes:** The Board of Directors voted on May 4 to adopt all but three of the proposed rule changes. Rules 2319, 3102.10, and 6701 were tabled until further notice.

**Landscaping Improvement Projects:** As you all know, there are several landscaping projects taking place within Niguel Shores. The Selva Road/PCH project is well underway with demolition near completion and planting ready to start. The slope below Shackleton Isle has been cleared and inspected. Planting should begin soon if it hasn't already.

### **Community Center Pool/Spa and Beach Bluff**

**Park Use:** The weather is finally heating up and that means more fun to be had at the pool and the beach bluff! There have been some changes to the rules regarding both locations. A flyer will be included in this edition of the *Seashore News* to briefly outline some of the finer points.

**July 4th Celebration:** The Recreation Committee is looking for volunteers to help with the July 4th activities. For the past several years Nancy Tinnes has devoted countless hours to making this day special for all of Niguel Shores. I would like to personally extend my gratitude for all that Nancy and the entire Recreation Committee, Men's Club and Women's Club do to put on an amazing day for us each year. If you would like to say "thank you" as well, what better way than to pitch in and lend a hand! Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the NSCA Management Office.

—Karen Decker

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considered University of California, San Diego, and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. In the end, Laura decided upon University of California, Santa Barbara, where she will run track and cross country.

Colleen McNaught was also raised in Niguel Shores. Like Laura, enjoying the parks the beach and, especially, the pool. Colleen started swimming for Dolphin Aquatics when she was four years old. Colleen's passion for swimming and competition continued and, by the time she reached Dana Hills High school, she was both a swimmer and a water polo player. Colleen started playing on the Dana Hills Varsity team as a freshman and played Varsity all four years, finishing this year as team captain and the school's all-time leading goal scorer. In addition to her commitment to her high school team, Colleen also makes a huge commitment to her club water polo team. During water polo and swim season, Colleen often does "double practices," leaving the Dana Hills pool and heading straight up to El Toro High School for a couple more hours of practice with her club team. Colleen has had many exciting experiences as a result of her hard work and dedication to her sport. She traveled to Hungary to play water polo with her club team between her freshman and sophomore years. She played for the 18 and under girls' team at the National Junior Olympics and took first place.

However, the highlight of Colleen's high school experience was winning league this winter as a senior and team captain. This was the first league title, ever, for women's water polo at Dana Hills.

Colleen also had several options when it came to choosing a college. She visited University of California, Santa Barbara, California State University, Long Beach and traveled back east to visit the University of Maryland. In the end, Colleen decided it was time to break the "OC bubble" and attend a "big football" school. Colleen will attend the University of Indiana this fall. She is definitely looking forward to her next adventure as a "Hoosier" starting this fall.

Sam Fitzmaurice moved to Niguel Shores when he was in the fourth grade. He loved the beach and all water sports. He participated in Junior Lifeguard programs during elementary school and eventually became a U.S. Ocean Safety Junior Lifeguard instructor. His love for water sports also led him to swim and play water polo at Dana Hills High School.

Sam says he probably made up his mind about where he would go to college when he was in elementary school. He was drawn to the United States Naval Academy because of his family's history with the Academy. Sam's great grandfather and his great uncle both attended the naval Academy. The summer before

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# BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

## MAY 4, 2011 BOARD MEETING (General Session)

### APPROVED:

- Approved the General Session Minutes of April 15, 2011
- Approved the General Session Minutes of April 20, 2011
- Approved the resignation of Ginny Nevitt from the Architectural Committee
  - Approved proposed rule changes — three rules tabled
- Approved contract to Royal Access for repairs to Breakers Isle vehicle gates
- Approved draft committee restructure plan submitted by Architecture Committee
- Approved two contracts to Buccola Landscape for the landscape projects on the Shackleton and Abalone slopes

### DISCUSSED:

- Stonehill Gate update
- TOPS program upgrade
- PCH landscape project update
- Slope restoration projects update
- Shackleton slope replanting project update

### REVIEWED:

- Reviewed and filed the March 2011 Financial Report
- Reviewed and filed the March 2011 Variance & Delinquency Reports
- Reviewed letter submitted from Reno family regarding PCH landscape project
- Reviewed letter from McNaught family regarding Stonehill Gate and possible special assessment
- Reviewed letter from Ms. Sticher volunteering for Disaster Preparedness Committee
- Reviewed request from Boehmer family for a 'No Smoking' sign at the beach bluff park

### TABLED:

- Replacement of speed bumps in Custom Home tract

### HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:

- None

## MAY 4, 2011 BOARD MEETING (Executive Session)

### APPROVED:

- Approved the Executive Session Minutes of April 20, 2011

### DISCUSSED:

- TOPS upgrade contract
- Contract for proposed repairs to Breakers Isle vehicle gate
- Existing slope landscape/ unauthorized improvements enforcement matter
  - Existing neighbor dispute and possible resolutions
- Existing issue with residents regarding obstruction at the Mariner Gate/with patrol service personnel
  - Existing and ongoing resident architectural project

### TABLED:

- Stonehill Gate discussion
- Existing view blockage matter

### HEARINGS / MEETINGS / PRESENTATIONS:

- Conducted hearing regarding neighbor dispute and violation matters

## MAY 17, 2011 ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (General Session)

The Annual Membership Meeting was closed as no voting quorum was achieved. The meeting was set to reconvene at a quorum requirement of 25% +1 on Monday, May 23, 2011, in the NSCA Conference Room with the meeting opening for the purpose of counting ballots at 10:30 a.m. and the Board of Directors holding a General Session meeting at 12:00 p.m. for the purpose of announcing the election results, followed directly by an Executive Session organizational meeting.

## MAY 17, 2011 BOARD MEETING (General Session)

### APPROVED:

- Approved the contract to Marina Landscape for PCH slope demolition/debris removal

### HOMEOWNER FORUM

*NOTE: The last approved General Session Minutes are posted on the Bulletin Board across from the NSCA Office entrance. In addition, the General Session Agenda for the next Board Meeting will also be posted at noon on the Friday Prior to the next meeting.*

**REMINDERS: NEXT GENERAL SESSION MEETING: JUNE 1, 2011 AT 6:00 P.M.**

his junior year at Dana, Sam spent a week in Annapolis at the Naval Academy with other prospective cadets. Many cadets knew long before the week was out that this commitment was not for them. However, the experience only solidified Sam's desire to attend the Naval Academy upon graduation. Sam is an outstanding student and he had other options for college. He was accepted at UCLA, Boston College and UC Berkeley (did I already say Wow!). However, on Christmas Eve, 2010, Sam received his official packet notifying him of his acceptance to the United States Naval Academy. Plans for summer—well none of the usual pleasures of Niguel Shores for Sam this summer. He is off to the Naval Academy on June 28! From my meeting with Sam, I am extremely confident he will be very successful and make Niguel Shores proud.

As our interview came to a close, a comment was made about how these three incredibly successful young adults feel right now. All three are thrilled with their decisions, looking forward to their futures and "very proud of each other." I must add that Niguel Shores is equally proud of all three graduates.

—Patti Staudenbaur

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

### LANDSCAPE

The new landscaping project at the Selva Gate has been completed. The area has been updated with a fresh, contemporary mixture of plants that look great.

Slopes on PCH and within the Shores are continuing to be renovated. New planting, as well as grading on damaged slopes, is planned.

Please keep our community beautiful and pick up after your dogs. Thank you.

—Kathy Jones

### MAINTENANCE

We have been told that this year there really will be a summer, so Maintenance is getting ready.

The pool and spa were closed for maintenance. After several months of chemical treatment the pool water is getting tired and difficult to keep safe, yet comfortable for the swimmers. So, most of the water was drained and refilled with fresh water. The pool is now open and safe for all to enjoy. The locker room doors were removed, treated for rust abatement and painted. Pump motors were rebuilt with new seals and the top of the spa pergola was removed.

All of the portable picnic tables have been moved to the Bluff and will now be set up for the weekends. The permanent tables and two benches are being repaired to remove rust. This involves taking them apart and sending out the metal parts to be metalized, and then returned to maintenance to be painted and reassembled.

Our irrigation system works fairly well during the wet and cool season but, dry warm weather has a way of exposing its many short comings. Maintenance and Wendt are devoting a significant amount of their time correcting problems and improving the system. Residents could help! Call the office, and give them the location of an area that appears to need more or less water. Don't wait until things turn brown, just give the location and someone will check it out.

—Jack Christiansen

### RECREATION

This Committee is so happy to tell you Nancy Tinnes is going to chair 4th of July again, with the help of all the Committee, plus help from the community. This is her ninth year! How much can one expect from a volunteer? You will see the schedule attached. Please call the office if you can give us any time for the 4th of July event.

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# COMMITTEE REPORTS

The committee is very excited about the summer planned for everyone.

**In-N-Out:** June 11, Saturday at 5:00 p.m. In-N-Out plus a D.J. **Tickets must be bought in advance.** No sales night of event. Tickets are \$10 each in the office.

**July 4th:** Niguel Shores famous celebration. See program in box.

**Taco Night with D.J.:** July 30. Advance sales tickets in office for \$10 -5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Movie Nights:** Plans are being made for a children's movie night: a PG movie and a PG13 movie night. Watch for dates and times.

**Children's Cooking Class:** A sign up in the office for a children's cooking class - date and time to be announced. Kookie will have classes of interest for the age group. They will participate and have fun helping to prepare.

**Bluff Night Concert:** August 20: That special evening. Remember last year. Come enjoy the night again with your friends. *Seashore News* in July will have all the information.

**Potluck** will start again in the fall so now make your own Potluck night with friends at the Bluff.

**Happy Hour** will continue at the bluff on Wednesday night, or any night you want to "get together" with friends.

**Garage Sale:** Reminder about that it will be October 8.

Let us hear from you to help on the 4th. A special summer has been planned for you to enjoy the bluff at Niguel Shores.

—Carol Yocom

## TRAFFIC & SAFETY

We are entering into some busy months for Traffic and Safety in Niguel Shores. Here are a few reminders that we hope will reduce any negative issues in our beautiful community:

- Some GPS directions still take guests to the Selva Gate. Please make sure you direct delivery and construction guests to the Mariner Gate for proper entry and procedure.
- There have been several incidences lately at the Selva and Cabrillo Gates where drivers are tailgating resulting in flat tires and potential damage to the gates. These damages will fall on the homeowner and will be collected by NSCA!
- Please be reminded to keep your speeds down in ALL areas of Niguel Shores including the Manta and Garibaldi Gates. We'd like to keep our children safe and, as school is getting out and everyone is outside, it's imperative to follow the 25 MPH speed limit.

## July 4<sup>th</sup> Fun!!!

8:00 - 10:30 am **Pancake Breakfast—\$3 per person**

9:00 am **FLAG RAISING CEREMONY BY THE YOUNG MARINES COLOR GUARD Immediately followed by the Red, White and Blue Parade lead by the local fire truck. Decorate your bikes, strollers and golf carts. Put on your patriotic outfits & join the fun!!!**

10:00 - 11:30 am **Games and Relays in the Park and Pool Activities (Kids bring your swimsuits!)**

11:00 - 11:30 am **Sand Castle Registration—Register at the Beach Bluff**

11:30 - 1:00 pm **Hot Dogs, Cold Drinks, Chips and Cookies (Community Center)**

2:30 - 3:30 pm **Judging - Sand Castle Contest**

4:00 pm **Sand Castle Awards Ceremony and DJ Begins (Beach Bluff)**

5:00 pm **BBQ at the Beach Bluff (Hot coals provided. However, bring your own chairs, tables, towels, etc.) (PICNIC TABLES CANNOT BE RESERVED!!!!)**

5:00 - 8:00 pm **DJ and Dancing**

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- As the weather gets warmer and more people gather at the bluff, make room for your neighbor at a table. This is everyone's backyard and a great way to be social and get to know someone new.
- When you are at the pool or park, be respectful of all ages and allow for everyone to have a good time.

Lastly, we want to remind residents that we'd love to hear from you. If you have a Traffic and Safety suggestion for us, please email or go down to the office and leave us a note. Our committee is concerned about keeping our streets safe and if you have something to say, we want to hear it. Stay Safe and Have Fun!

—Lori McNaught

## CLUBS

### GARDEN CLUB

**Final Event of the Garden Club Year:** The Garden Club will have its traditional annual BBQ and Potluck at the Beach Bluff Park on June 20. Lots of good eatin' and fun for all.

**Drought Tolerant Plants:**

As we become more aware of the need to reduce or restrict water usage, we do not have to surrender the desire for aesthetics to barren yards and plant beds. By learning about what types of plants can provide us with (See Yarrow above right and the succulent, Dudleya, at below right.)

Drought tolerant plants must be able to withstand low water and high-heat conditions while still maintaining their aesthetic and functional qualities. Plants that thrive in naturally dry conditions sometimes have small or divided leaves that are waxy or hairy. These characteristics help plants hold in moisture, reducing water loss through transpiration. Sometimes the leaves are spiny, or lack leaves entirely. Other plants survive drought by special internal mechanisms that enable them to minimize water loss through transpiration as well.



Ceanothus



Dudleya Succulent

Some drought tolerant plants survive periods of reduced summer water by going dormant and then resuming growth during the winter and spring. Many low-water-use plants actually avoid drought

by producing wide-spreading or long roots to reach stored groundwater. These extensive root systems can also be beneficial for hillside stabilization. A variety of species on a slope — trees, shrubs, and perennials - will provide a range of root depths to help bind soil and rocks together.

Many drought-tolerant plants can be useful in areas of high fire danger. Some dry land plants are low-growing with a creeping or spreading habit; this low foliage along with open branching, limited leaf litter, and low quantities of flammable oils or resins contribute to fire-resistance. Be sure to water these plants as needed to maintain moisture.

A plant's natural growing conditions contribute to its appearance and characteristics. A drought tolerant plant that thrives in dappled shade may have large, leathery leaves, whereas, a plant that prefers full sun may have smaller, firmer foliage. Plants in high-heat areas may be drought-deciduous and lose their foliage altogether during times of low water. Leaf color generally depends on light exposure and tends to be lighter, silvery, or grayish for plants that live in full sun; plants

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from more shaded areas generally are darker.

More on this subject when we come back in September...see you then!

Plant and your spouse plants with you; weed and you weed alone.

—Jean Jacques Rousseau

—*Morry Meadow*

## MEN'S CLUB

We had eighty breakfasts passed out with forty-four red roses to the ladies, a huge crowd, at the annual breakfast on May 17 at which the scholarship winners receive their checks for \$1,000 each.



2011 Scholarship Winners left to right: Devin Valenciano, Claire Hirashiki and Tyler Ross with Men's Club President, Steve Leonard

The Club continues to have guest speakers that keep us all informed and educated as to what is going on in our city. Director of Disaster Preparedness, Mike Rose, explained the duties of his office. In detail he covered the procedures required to deal with and to safely protect the residents in case of any number of manmade or natural disasters. City Hall has a secure and protected command center, of which the exact location is not public knowledge.

Drills are run along with other southland agencies including the military. He explained how everyone can register to be informed of any emergency affecting your home or work by registering at [www.aler-toc.com](http://www.aler-toc.com). All those registered will be notified by phone, text, e-mail or TTD/TTY. It's a reverse 911 call to warn you. Please take a moment and register your family.

Good news came from our next speaker, Sergeant Jim Greenwood of the O.C. Sheriff's Dept. In the last year a big push has been made to encourage all motorists to keep their cars locked. He stated that the program is working and that theft

from unlocked cars is down 40 per cent in Dana Pont. Let's keep up the "Lock it or Lose It" Program.

Be sure to plan on attending the Men's Club Breakfast at the ClubHouse on the Fourth of July.

—*Steve Leonard*

## WOMEN'S CLUB

June is the time to celebrate the installation of the new officers at the annual tea which will be on the 9th at

noon in the ClubHouse. Please bring your prettiest tea cup and saucer and put on your prettiest hat! We'll hope for a lovely warm day to go out in our newest spring dresses. (You may even wear gloves if you like!) The tea will be catered so you may arrive unencumbered by dishes.



Parliamentarian Ceacy Johns will be doing the installation of the new 2011-12 officers as follows: President Bev Macke, Vice-President Lyn Long, Secretary Jeannie Steicher and Treasurer Barbara Milner. Please join us for this important event.

Dues for the upcoming year are payable as of June 1. Please bring your check for \$10 to the tea or turn it in at the office before July 15 to guarantee that your name will be in the new directory.

The May Home Tour was a grand success with five attractive and interesting homes on view for the sold-out day: wonderful colors, beautiful flooring, tiles, cabinets, elegant bathrooms and new floor plans in every imaginable variation. A big vote of thanks to Ginny Nevitt for organizing the houses and many, many thanks to the owners who invited us into their homes and to the other members who volunteered their efforts for the event. We can only look forward to the next one for another such delightful day.

The Women's Club does not meet during July and August. The next luncheon meeting will take place on September 8.

—*Mary Crowl*



# ACTIVITIES

## WEDNESDAY BRIDGE

If you enjoy playing bridge, we welcome you to our Wednesday get-together from 11 a.m. to about 3:00 p.m. You don't need a partner—we'll have extra players—and will fit you in. All you have to do is make a phone call to 949-496-4230—please give us a try as we are a friendly group.

### Winners are:

- April 20 Patricia Conway and Kay Wittmack  
April 27 Margaret Brugger, Shirley Heimstaedt and Lili Bradley  
May 4 Ellie Schmidt and Margaret Brugger  
May 11 Helen Campbell, Doris Deal, Pat Conway  
—Helen Campbell

## PAGE TURNERS

Both a.m. and p.m. Page Turners will meet in the ClubHouse on June 27 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. to vote for next year's books. You may bring an unwrapped book to swap. Refreshments will be served. This is our last

**Niguel Shores Specialist**  
Greetings Niguel Shores Residents!

Dear Residents,

As an Owner and Realtor in the Shores, I share in your enthusiasm and passion for our beautiful community. I am delighted to continue to offer first class service as your resident Real Estate Specialist!

When it's time to sell or lease, I would appreciate an opportunity to earn your business and trust.

I am often asked, What do I do that is different and unique? There are "Four" main areas that I focus on to insure that you receive the highest sales price in the least amount of time.

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With my exclusive "Strategic Pricing Model", you always get the highest possible Sales Price and I never ask you for a Price Reduction.
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Your property will have extensive Internet coverage, featuring new video of our community and your property. It is the newest and best way to market your Property, targeting 100% of all potential Buyers.
- **Networking**  
Strong Broker/Agent network in all major US cities and foreign countries, with extensive International exposure.
- **Negotiating**  
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meeting for this year. We will not meet in July or August, but will resume our new year in September.

Page Turners meets on the fourth Monday of each month September through June. If you wish more information or want to join a discussion group, please contact Kathleen Hardcastle at 481-5503 (khlaguna@gmail.com) or Karla Sanders at 496-8413 (karlajoe@cox.net).

—Karla Sanders

## OREO BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, May 18, the Really Serious Oreo Book Club met at the home of Priscilla Agnew to discuss the *Autobiography of Mark Twain*. There was some dispute as to the actual author of the book, with some asserting it was a Chinese mystic who lived in the 13th Century. The member who would not back off of this assertion was denied anymore Oreos on the grounds that this person (sex not revealed) had their brain on a sugar high and needed help. The contrasting aspects of Twain's behavior and ideas were delineated. His humor and his depression, his homey characters in his books and his rich and royal friends in real life, his financial investments and the tragedies in his life were considered. Next meeting we will review *Henry Clay, the Essential American* by David S. & Jeanne T. Heidler at the home of John Hall on June 15.

—Norton Schwartz

## LIBRARY

### Children's Library

Dana Point Library Summer Reading is about to get underway. Book your trip and route your adventure to a destination of your choice. *One World, Many Stories* Summer Reading program, comes to the Library Travel Agency Office starting June 27. Readers can win prizes just for reading.

Pick up Boarding Passes & Itineraries for Weekly Performances at the Excursion Desk, Programs Thursdays at 11:00 a.m. no entry fee. First Performance will be Buster Balloon at 11:00 a.m. in the main part of library. Parking Passes are available for overflow parking at Salt Creek Beach.

Pack your Bags for a Reading Adventure Weekly Storytimes with the Sunshine Readers Tuesdays at 11:00 a.m. June 26, July 5, 12, 19 & 26, August 2 & 9.

Family Pajama Storytimes Monthly 7:00 p.m. June 27, July 25 (no August).

Programs funded by the Friends of the Library and the National Charity League & Women's Club of Dana Point.

—Carolyn Hopkins



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### Adult Library:

**Wednesdays from 3-5** Confused by your cell phone, netbook, or e-reader? A volunteer will be available to help you from 3-5 every Wednesday at a table in the library. If possible, please bring your user manual.

**3rd Friday of the Month 7-9 pm** We have some exciting films coming up for our Film Friday events.

**May 20** *Helena from the Wedding*. Newlyweds Alex (Lee Tergesen) and Alice (Melanie Lynskey) are hosting a New Year's Eve party for their closest friends at a remote cabin in the mountains. But when the other couples arrive in various states of discord, their hopes for a relaxing weekend are quickly thrown out the window. From the US in English. *Comedy-Drama*. (89 minutes)

—Jennifer Johnson

## SOCIETY FOR CIVIL DISCOURSE

Against the current atmosphere of divisive and antagonistic public debates on every subject (Fox News vs. CNN) we thought it is time to form a group to discuss, in depth and without heat, a variety of topics of interest to the group. Niguel Shores residents, as well as those outside our community, are welcome. Our first meeting will select a topic from a menu that will be provided and review guidelines to get us started. The meetings would be every Friday, from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at the Dana Point Library meeting room (33841 Niguel Road) starting Friday, June 17. Possible topics could include "Illegal Immigration," "Nationalism vs. Patriotism," etc. If this kind of discussion group appeals to you, please show up and help us get started.

—Norton Schwartz (949-481-2459)

## SPORTS NEWS

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### MEN'S GOLF

On April 26 the Men's Golf was at the Arroyo Trabuco for the spring classic. Always a favorite the competition was 1-2-3 Foursome Game. The team of Charlie Clark, Bob Hill, and Jack Sweeney took first place. Second Place went to the team of Kent Welbrock, Roy Dohner, and Lon Foreman. Closest to the pin was Bill Johnson.

Next up on May 5 was the Twin Oaks Invitational. This great course is beautiful and the weather was perfect. The game this day was two best net of four balls. The team of Paul Wager, Charlie Clark, Al Thome, and Jon Cobain were first. Dave Ontiveros, Gary Katsuki, and Hal Allen placed second. Closest to the pin was Charlie Clark.

The next Tournament will be on May 24 at Arrowood.

What should you do if your round of golf is interrupted by a lightning storm? Walk around holding your 1-iron above your head, because even God can't hit a 1-iron!

—Bob Russell

### WOMEN'S GOLF

Monday was a great day on the golf course, even with the advent of the wind, thanks to our golf captains, Irene McDonald and Gretchen Rask, who organized a secret game called "Flowers in May." Flower stickers on our scorecards helped determine the winners. The winning team was May

Gramer, Barbara Brabeck and Val Mitchell. Longest drive: Janet Silver. Closest to pin #6 was May Gramer and hole # 8, Val Mitchell. Low gross: Val Mitchell. Low net: Barbara Brabeck. Lowest putts: Irene McDonald with 13, Wow!

Our June captains will be Chris Beaver (493-7430) and Linda Ross (248-3408).

Come join us on the second Monday of every month for golf, lunch and meeting. You will have a fun time.

—Chris Beaver

## VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

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### To the Editor:

I am opposed to opening the Stonehill Gate for many of the same reasons expressed by Frances Ozimec as published in the last newsletter. The reason for my writing, however, is in reaction to the statement "*The Mariner gate is reputed to be the busiest in any community in South Orange County.*" Having spent the last several years installing and monitoring gate access systems in this area, **I can assure you that this is nowhere near the case!** Two of the Coto gates (Oso Left and Antonio), Dove Canyon, Emerald Bay and several others far exceed the traffic and congestion that can be found at the Mariner Gate. To spend money on what will effectively be a 'one-way' exit and entrance for a small percentage of our residents is fiscally irresponsible.

—Bill Graney, Tasman Bay

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# Are you up for this?

↑ It's easy to understand UP, meaning toward the sky or at the top of the list, but when we awaken in the morning, why do we wake UP? At a meeting, why does a topic come UP? Why do we speak UP and why are the officers UP for election and why is it UP to the secretary to write UP a report?

↑ We call UP our friends. And we use it to brighten UP a room, polish UP the silver; we warm UP the leftovers and clean UP the kitchen. We lock UP the house and some guys fix UP the old car. At other times the little word has real special meaning. People stir UP trouble, line UP for tickets, work UP an appetite, and think UP excuses. To be dressed is one thing, but to be dressed UP is special.

↑ And this UP is confusing: A drain must be opened UP if it is stopped UP. We open UP a store

in the morning but we close it UP at night.

↑ We seem to be pretty mixed UP about UP! To be knowledgeable about the proper uses of UP, look up the word UP in the dictionary. In a desk-sized dictionary, it takes UP almost 1/4th of the page and can add UP to about thirty definitions. If you are UP to it, you might try building UP a list of the many ways UP is used. It will take UP a lot of your time, but if you don't give UP, you may wind UP with a hundred or more. When it threatens to rain, we say it is clouding UP ... When the sun comes out we say it is clearing UP. When it rains, it wets the earth and often messes things UP. When it doesn't rain for awhile, things dry UP.

↑ One could go on and on, but I'll wrap it UP, for now my time is UP, so.....it is time to shut UP !



## Carol's Cuisine Corner

*All the graduations bring family, friends to your home. Now where do we take them when they are all together? What about Mexican, Italian or American?? A few ideas for each one:*

### ITALIAN:

**Italian Cravings:** 105 S. Ola Vista, San Clemente, 492 2777. A small place, but seems like you are in Italy. Open for lunch and dinner.

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### MEXICAN:

**Olamendi's:** Two places — 34320 PCH, Dana Point, 429 2612 and 8 Monarch Bay Plaza, Dana Point, 218 7394. Olamendi's has been in the area for many years with famous people coming to enjoy the true Mexican food.

**Ricardo's Place:** 32082 Camino Capistrano, SJC, 493 4941. Open for lunch and dinner every day with a harpist for Sunday brunch.

**Taco Surf:** 34195 PCH, Dana Point, 661 5764. A small place but one the graduate and friends would enjoy.

**Carlos:** 34224 PCH, Dana Point, 496 4470. Another one that has been in the area a long time, with a nice patio area. Open for breakfast, lunch and dinner.

### AMERICAN:

**Cedar Creek:** Two places in our area - 26860 Ortega Highway, SJC, 240 2229 and 27321 La Paz, Laguna Niguel, 389 1800. Open for lunch and dinner and Sunday brunch. With contemporary food.

**Vue:** 25135 Park Lantern (Hotel) Dana Point, 487 7555. Pretty view to enjoy with your variety of food. Open for lunch, dinner and Sunday brunch.

**Harbor Grill:** 34499 Golden Lantern, Dana Point, 240 1416. At the Harbor with seafood specialty. Open for lunch and dinner.

**Cannons:** 34344 Green Lantern, Dana Point, 496 6146. Open for dinner, Happy Hour and Sunday brunch. A view for everyone to enjoy with their meal.

**Savannah:** 32441 Golden Lantern, Laguna Niguel, 493 7107. Open for dinner every night. Have special prices for meals, but you must ask. You will enjoy the décor of the restaurant as well as the meal.

*Enjoy the June celebrations with the graduates and remember the June anniversaries. If a group, be sure and call in advance for reservations. Bon appetite, Carol Yocum*



# MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR

Your neighbor, Bev Macke, is the new President of the Niguel Shores Women's club. She will be installed in office on June 9. This reporter called her on the eve of her departure for Hilton Head, South Carolina for a golfing vacation with her husband, Don. I persuaded her that she was the neighbor that we needed to meet this month and she reluctantly agreed to be interviewed. She said she didn't really have an interesting story to tell about her life. Then, as she started to tell her story, her natural exuberance and delightful sense of humor colored our entire interview.

Bev was born in Manhattan, an only child. (Reporter and subject were both pleasantly surprised to discover that we share the same birthday). She was a New Yorker for only a short time however, as her parents moved with her to Los Angeles when she was three months old. Her mother was a stay-at-home mom and her father was a motorman on the famous Red Car trolley line, the efficient transportation system that connected the communities of Los Angeles before General Motors bought it out and closed it down.

As Bev was growing up she was active in Brownies and then Girl Scouts. Her parents were troop leaders. Soon after graduating from the Catholic Bishop County High School in 1958, she met her husband-to-be, Don, on a blind date. Bev says it was love at first sight for both of them and they married shortly after that. They moved to Downey and in the next ten years had five children, two girls and three boys: Diane, Karen, David, Jim and Donny. As the children grew up they played tennis together, snow and water skied, all of them enjoying these activities as a family. They moved to Newport Beach in 1975. Don is a mortgage

banker. The five children all attended and graduated from Corona Del Mar high school. Meanwhile, Bev became an avid tennis player. The family were active members of the Newport Beach Tennis Club. Bev won a prestigious competition, the "B" mixed doubles in the Adoption Guild meet. Unfortunately, shortly after that, Bev suffered a severe knee injury that ended her tennis playing.



Bev Macke

The family moved to Laguna Niguel where she and her husband joined the El Niguel Country Club and Bev started to play golf with her husband. Besides Bev's involvement with tennis and golf, she and her husband enjoyed travel, and the Greek Isles were her favorite foreign destination. In the United States her favorite vacation spot was on a houseboat with her family on Lake Powell.

Bev and her husband moved to Indian Wells in the desert in 1998 and lived there until 2009, when the Pacific Ocean beckoned them back to Orange County. They bought their home on Capstan Drive in Niguel Shores that year. The family all live in Orange County now, except for son Jim, who is in Atlanta but hopes to be moving out here soon. Bev and Don will celebrate their 53rd anniversary this August. They have seven grandchildren, ages 2 to 22.

Bev has made many new friends as a member of the Dippy Dolphins and the Women's Club, and feels honored to have been elected president of the latter organization.

Your neighbor, Bev Macke, loves being close to the Pacific Ocean and the warmth of all the people she has met here. She likes to call Niguel Shores her "forever home" and her enthusiasm and energy will stand her in good stead as the new President of the Women's Club.

—Laurel Moonier Livesay

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## *In Memoriam*

### *Dick Luedeke*

*May 2011*

*Resident of Vista D'Onde*

*Chair Finance Committee 1975*

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*Dorothy Dudley Award 1993*

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*He gave his time for the betterment of this community; a fine example for us all.*

## Travel Tidbits

So you haven't made any plans for a summer/fall adventure. You were thinking of the Mediterranean or maybe Scandinavia but the international airfares are so high. Besides, the fallout from the Bin Laden affair makes you think maybe you'd like to stay closer to home. Are these the kind of thoughts running through your mind? I have a solution. Make this the summer to explore the US or Canada in a more adventuresome way. In the past have you loaded up the car for a self guided driving tour?

This year why not consider a real off-the-beaten-path adventure trip. There are so many wonderful possibilities you will find it hard to choose. For instance, how about a trip to the Blackfeet and Flathead Nations and Glacier Park. Visit the Blackfeet, North Piegan and Salish-Kootenai communities in the US and Canada. Attend a pow-wow, visit historical tipi encampments—go off the beaten path in Indian Country.

Or, discover the San Juan Islands. Travel by day in a private catamaran while you look for Orcas, Steller sea lions, otters and bald eagles. Evenings

are spent in charming boutique hotels in Bellingham, on Orcas Island and in Roche Harbor on San Juan Island, once a favorite retreat of President Theodore Roosevelt.

Or, how about photo hunting for Grizzlies in Kodiak and coastal Katmai. This trip is not watching bears from viewing platforms, it is on foot offering a wildlife encounter with North America's largest land predator.

This is just a sampling of a few possible adventures you might consider. There are many more.

**Travel tip:** To cut down on the luggage you take do you like to wash items en route? Next time bring a large zip top plastic bag. Put the soiled clothes in the bag, add soap, fill with water and squish vigorously. Rinse and hang to dry.

—Barbara Milner





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