

Seashore News



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FROM THE HELM

In last month's issue of the *Seashore News* Mary Crowl wrote her column as her Swan Song as the editor of the *Seashore News*. She may have stepped down as the editor, however Mary has so much to offer that I hope in her travels she will share her experiences with us all. In the past five years we have seen the *Seashore News* grow in the quality and level of contributions by shore residents, and we can only thank Mary for her insight and her team of contributors. The quality of our newsletter has risen to new

heights with recognition two years ago by the Community Association Institute as the most outstanding newsletter for Community Associations and, yes, we have been nominated again this year for the top award. This would not have been possible without a top quality editor. Again Mary thank you for the years you gave so unselfishly to make our community publication a reflection of the quality people that live here.

—Jerry Koppang

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR SSN EDITOR

New year, new editor, and some new minor changes to the *Seashore News*. As I start my term as editor of this award winning community newsletter I hope you will help me continue bring you a newsletter with such honors. Your ideas and suggestions will always be welcomed.

As was previously reported in this newsletter, the publishing of our monthly newsletter must, like all our community services and activities, be cognizant of its cost to the community. You saw in the January 2010 issue that we reduced the number of pages, as a cost savings, from 20 to 16 pages. This page reduction was partly accomplished by using an insert for showing the monthly calendar and on the reverse side the NSCA Directory. In this issue you will notice some more minor changes to help with expenses and to keep within the 16 page limit. A paid advertisement now appears

on the second page, moving the report from the General Manager to page 3 and moving the Board Action Summary to page 4. I feel this change does not impact the important community news we bring to you. It, obviously, helps our budget. For the committee reports we are reducing the frequency of some of them to a rotating bases. Some important reports will continue monthly.

On with the news. For my first feature article I have selected a story, not from within our community, but one next door to us. When you read this story. I believe you will agree with me that what is now open to the public next to our community makes Niguel Shores a

very desirable place to live which only increases the value of our homes and amenities.

You may have read the story in the newspapers about the recent opening of the new Strand Vista Park. This park



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FROM THE GM

SEASHORE NEWS CORRECTION – For the first time since coming to Niguel Shores, I must publish a correction, specifically to page 6 of the January issue. The article was from the outgoing editor Mary Crowl and titled “Swan Song”. She stated this was her “Swan Song” and provided the definition as “an ancient belief that the Mute Swan is mute throughout its life until the moment before it dies when it sings one beautiful song.” Now the correction here, involves the analogy that Mary has been mute all her life, and only now in departure, is able to “sing her song.” The truth is, I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Mary for the past four years and her vociferous eloquence has been the driving force behind our award winning newsletter, the *Seashore News*. Mary, I know you have carefully left the newsletter in Karl’s capable hands, but on behalf of the community, THANK YOU for your inspiration, stewardship and commitment during the past few years.

THE SPA – By now, most of you are aware that the Spa is open and has been in use since December 30. The news did not make the January issue, even though it had been anticipated to be completed. (See christening party photo). Despite this good news and the fact that everyone loves using the new spa—we have already had an old problem reoccur. APPARENTLY SOMEONE THINKS IT IS FUNNY AND NECESSARY TO DUMP LIQUID SOAP INTO THE SPA MAKING IT BUBBLE UP AND BECOME UNUSABLE. In addition, we have other people (maybe the same group) that feel it is great entertainment to throw patio furniture in the spa. Why, why, why? This has occurred in such a short period of time, we can see that it is going to be an ongoing problem until we are able to identify and punish the perpetrators. We (the Association) must now bear the cost of adding a new camera at the spa, specifically so we can identify who these individuals are. Please, if you see or know who is doing this, either ask them to stop or bring them to the attention of the office staff. If you are a parent, please let your children know that we are putting these measures into effect and how embarrassing and costly it might be if they are found to be engaging in these activities.

PUBLIC FORUM MEETING – CLUBHOUSE PROJECT RECAP – Mark your calendars for the next Public Forum meeting which is scheduled for Wednesday, February 17 at 7:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to present to the homeowners a recap of the project and how the funds from the Special Assessment were distributed.

ASPHALT MAINTENANCE – Each year, we have a portion of our 13.5 miles of roads that are scheduled for various levels of maintenance. This year, all the work is scheduled north of PCH and should begin in February or March,

depending upon the weather. In addition to this work, the new Beach Bluff lot will be Seal Coated in the final phase of that project. All this work should be completed with a minimum of inconvenience and you will be notified of the timing and specifics of the various projects.

CONSTRUCTION COURTESY – Even though the economy has slowed down, it seems the construction / remodeling in Niguel Shores has not. In fact, the level of work has continued to the point that we are receiving many complaints about the number of construction related vehicles parking in the shores. The problem is, the contractors want their vehicle, tools, and supplies to as convenient as possible to the job site. This is often in complete disregard to our parking rules and common courtesy to the neighbors near the project. If you have workers coming into the Association, please ask them to park in the appropriate parking spaces and not streets or in areas blocking the travel patterns in the neighborhood.

SUPER BOWL PARTY – SUNDAY – FEB. 7th @ 3:30 p.m. Just a reminder that Super Bowl is playing in the ClubHouse on the big screen and on the flat screen TV in the lobby. You can watch the game for free or the Recreation Committee is offering a \$5.00 package that includes a hot dog, chips and beans. The event is BYOB and there will be simple beer/wine no host bar if you wish to not carry anything to the game. Tickets are available in the office and the ClubHouse doors open at 2:30 p.m.

—Leo Riley, General Manager

Sea Terrace Townhomes II 2010 Annual Meeting

**Tuesday, February 9, 2010
ClubHouse 7:30 p.m.**

The Annual Meeting is scheduled for February 9, 2010 in the new ClubHouse at 7:30 p.m. Written notice of the meeting, including a secret ballot, instructions on how to vote the secret ballot and the annual Financial Statement from our auditors has been mailed to all homeowners (members). A quorum is required to conduct business at the annual meeting, please return your ballot prior to February 2, even if you plan to attend the meeting.

The agenda for the meeting includes:

- Election of three (3) board members
 - Annual Treasurer’s Report
- President’s review of 2009 activities
- Open discussion of issues and matters of concern to all members.

The board members welcome input from the homeowners. Please come and use this annual meeting to make your views known to your board of directors.

BOARD ACTION SUMMARY

JANUARY 13, 2010 BOARD MEETING (General Session)

APPROVED:

- Approved the General Session Minutes of December 9, 2009.
- Approved the Special General Session Minutes of December 16, 2009.
- Approved the Special General Session Minutes of December 21, 2009.
- Approved the November 2009 Variance & Delinquency Reports.
- Received and Filed the November 2009 Financial Report.
- Approved an Amendment to the Bylaws regarding the start time of the Annual Meeting.
- Approved two accounts to be turned over to legal counsel for collection.

DISCUSSED:

- Spa project updates.
- 2010 Annual Election timeline.
- Appointment of 2010 Nominating Committee.
- Beach Bluff Ad-Hoc Committee update.
- “Mansionization” strategic discussion.
- “E-Sign Act.
- Rules of Conduct for Public Forums.
- Ad space discussion for the *Seashore News*.

REVIEWED:

- Correspondence from 2 homeowners: 1) comments on “Mansionization” and 2) Comments on Amended Annual Notice.
- Legal Fees analysis as of November 30, 2009.
- Litigation Disclosure Statement—January 2010.

TABLED:

- Process Server guidelines and policies.
- Proposed Rule Change—homeowner water service lines.

MEETINGS:

- Meeting with Recreation Committee member Alicia Martinez on charity event Sponsorship.

JANUARY 13, 2010 BOARD MEETING (Executive Session)

APPROVED:

- Approved the Executive Session Minutes of December 9, 2009.
- Approved the Special Executive Session Minutes of December 16, 2009. Renamed and moved these minutes to the Special General Session Minutes of December 16, 2009.
- West Coast Paving bid for concrete repair and water remediation on Dosinia.
- Engineering Services contract with Associated Engineering Consultants for the 2010 Asphalt Maintenance project.

REVIEWED:

- Payment Status report for Quarterly Dues and Special Assessment as of 11/30/09.
- Attorney Fiore’s Status Report on pending legal matters.

DISCUSSED:

- AC legal matters involving six (6) homeowners.
- Homeowner correspondence regarding Amended Annual Notice mailing.
- Staff compensation matters.

HEARINGS/MEETINGS:

- Conducted a homeowner meeting to discuss an Architectural matter.
- Conducted a Staff Member meeting to discuss a personnel matter.

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—FEB. 3, 2010 AT 9:00 A.M. NEXT GENERAL PUBLIC FORUM—FEB. 17, 2010 AT 7:00 P.M.



Strand Vista Park Walkway

is located on the western edge of the Strand Beach county parking lot. It runs along the top of the bluff overlooking the Highlands development and offers a spectacular panorama view of the Pacific ocean. A colorful walkway leads from the north end of the park, beginning at the Funicular elevator, to the south end that ends at a Veterans Memorial Plaza.

This park, along with two other parks which I will mention shortly, was developed by the Headlands developer as a mitigating condition for getting the city's and California Coastal Commission's approval to develop their land. Parking is free in the county parking lot and, besides the stairway and Outdoor Inclined Elevator (Funicular) adjacent to Niguel Shores, there is another mid-Strand stairway allowing beachgoers access to Strand Beach.

There were two additional areas in the Headlands that were developed as parks. The first in called the Hilltop park which sits, as the name says, on the highest part of the Headlands. The second park is called the Harbor Point Park and is located on the west side of Green Lantern road.



Veterans Memorial Plaza

Both allow walkers to get a spectacular view of Dana Point Harbor and all the way to San Clemente. Ownership of all three parks was turned over to the city by the developer at their recent public opening.

For walkers and hikers these three parks provide a walking path that completely circum-navigates the whole

of the Headlands. And for Niguel Shores residents they can access these trails directly from our beach bluff exit to the beach. Another plus for living in this great community. The city is developing a plan to also allow dog walkers to use portions of these trails.

I have highlighted above the features of the three, now city owned, public parks. There is another preserved area of the Headlands that needs to be mentioned here. This area is called the Dana Point Preserve and covers the whole promontory point of the Headlands. This land was purchased by the Center for Natural Lands Management who own and manage this preserve and is open to the public also. This preserve is located at the west end of Green Lantern road. There is a new nature interpretive center at the entrance that will be run by the city. This preserve is a sensitive nature area with several endangered species on site so dogs will not be allow on the nature trail.



View of Headlands from Strand Vista Park

The closeness of these parks and the preserve to our great Niguel Shores offers our members a great way to enjoy nature, the panoramic views, and the healthy exercise, and leave the stresses behind (unless you have a printing deadline to meet).

—Karl Kuhn



MAINTENANCE

The Holidays have come and gone and the decorations have been removed and stored away for another year. We thank the maintenance guys and Suzanne Enis (she redecorated the gate wreaths) whose extra efforts brightened this holiday.

We are moving on to new projects for the New Year. The weather will determine the start date for the first two scheduled projects for January and February.

The first project is street repair at the intersection of Dosinia and Periwinkle. We will remove and replace a section of the street, sidewalk, and water drainage system. The second project is replacing the precast concrete entrances to five of the inland garden home streets. The 5 "Bay Street" entrances affected are: Bluehill, Timor, Ionian, Marmara and Bothnia. Both of these projects are planned to be implemented in phases so that traffic will not be blocked.

The residents who use the Manta Gate will note that a new dual-beam bar code reader has been installed. This reader will be more reliable and no longer be affected by sunlight.

Those who use the ClubHouse kitchen will appreciate the modification of the cabinets. Now it is less likely that someone will crack their head when using the sink. New, more convenient, faucets have been installed on these sinks.

One new pool heater has been installed. This second pool heater and the spa heater have been repaired and serviced, so all three heaters are now in operation. New pool covers have been ordered and the janitorial service will begin covering the pool at night.

—Jack Christiansen

SUPER BOWL

**February 7 in the ClubHouse at 3:00 p.m.
Join in the football cheer.**

No charge to enter and enjoy the big screen.

Wine and beer will be available or you can bring your own drinks. While watching the game you can enjoy hot dogs with all the condiments, chili beans, and chips for only \$5.00.

Tickets available at the door or in the office.
Come with your neighbors, pick your winning team and scores and see if you win.

RECREATION

In December the Recreation Committee helped the community to end the year in style. Dec. 13 was the Tree Lighting with Santa event enjoyed by families. A special tree was again donated by Seth from Santa's Little Forest. Thanks to Alicia Martinez and Daniela Mills plus many friends on the committee for all their hard work. New years Eve in the new ClubHouse (see the full page of photos) was a smashing success with a huge turnout, all made possible by Barbara Milner. A big thank you Barbara.

Here are some events for 2010 you DO NOT WANT TO MISS.

Super Bowl (See article below left for more information)

MARCH 13. Time and price to be announced. CELEBRATION OF ST. PATRICK'S DAY. Corn Beef and cabbage, entertainment, beer and wine. We will all be Irish that Day. Green is the color for everyone.

APRIL We are considering an Easter Egg Hunt for the children. If anyone is interested in helping, please let the office or Carol Yocom know.

MAY 1. We are continuing the tradition of celebrating Derby Day in the ClubHouse. The ladies can come with beautiful hats as they enjoy their mint juleps and watch the race on our Big Screen. The men, of course, can come and enjoy the mint juleps as they make their decision who will win.

Potluck

Everyone knows that February is the month to celebrate Valentine's Day and the birthdays of our presidents. Come join us for Potluck on Sunday, February 21 at 6:00 p.m. in the ClubHouse and we will reveal many other reasons to celebrate. Plan to bring a Main Dish, Salad or Dessert, your own table service and beverage of your choice.

We collect \$2.00 per person at the door to cover incidental expenses.

We look forward to seeing you and always welcome new guests. Please call if you have a question or would like to make a reservation. Please make your reservation by February 20.

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JUNE 12. Taco night is back with our partner, EL PATIO.

JULY 4. No need to say more....This is Niguel Shores biggest event. We look forward to this every year, organized again by chairperson Nancy Tinnes.

August will be our famous SUMMER BLUFF PARTY.

In addition to the above, we have:

Happy Hour, every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. by the fireplace or in the lobby. Bring your own wine and snacks to enjoy with neighbors. Ice and glasses will be furnished.

The potlucks: February 21 (see details), March 21 and April 18.

The Beach Bluff BBQs will start May 30 and each month during the summer.

How about becoming a member of this committee that provides entertainment for everyone in the community? Mark your calendars and you and your neighbors come with us for these fun activities during 2010. Thanks for your attendance at these events.

—Carol Yocom

CLUBS

KAREN LINGER, EDITOR

GARDEN CLUB

Accenting your yard with color

The smartest low maintenance strategy for using color in the landscape is to concentrate on accent. Small plantings chosen and situated so that they punctuate the landscape so effectively that you think you are seeing much more color than is really there.

Using color accents is easy, especially if you simply emphasize areas where you are prone to look anyway, like an entryway. Scenes viewed through the most frequently used windows typically the kitchen and family room or outdoor living areas such as decks or patios are logical places to accent.

Accenting your garden with roses in containers can bring color from March to December. So whether you have a balcony, patio, pool deck, spa or a long a walkway consider lighting it up with roses in attractive containers.

The following are roses that do well in containers:

1. Pope John Pau—Hybrid Tea

These will grow 4-5 feet tall with large white blossoms. Plant in a Container 18” to 24” in diameter

2. Ebb Tide—Floribunda

Spicy fragrance with deep plumb colored blossoms. Only grows to 24” in height. Plant in a container 12” to 18” in diameter

3. Julia Child—Floribunda

Produces an abundance of butter yellow blossoms with a sweet licorice fragrance. Grows up to 3’ tall. Plant in a container 18” in diameter

4. Hot Cocoa—Floribunda

Grows up to 4’ tall. Lovely burnt-sienna blossoms. Spicy fragrance Plant in a container 18’ to 24’ in diameter

Other candidates for containers include:

1. Barbara Streisand—Hybrid Tea —Fragrant Lavender

2. Iceberg—Floribunda - White

3. Burgundy Iceburg—Floribunda —Purple

4. Brilliant pink Iceburg—Floribunda

5. City of San Francisco—Excellent Patio rose

6. Trumpeter—Excellent Patio rose

A reminder: Container roses need 6 hours of direct sunlight per day

Our February meeting will be held on Monday February 15th at noon. Our speaker will be Dalia Brunner.

Her topic will be mixing cottage with draught tolerant plants.

The Niguel Shores Garden Club garden tour will be held Monday May 15th. If you are interested in having your garden on our tour please contact Jerry Koppang at 661-7830.

—Jerry Koppang

MEN'S CLUB

We started off our first meeting in 2010 with another outstanding breakfast prepared by Jerry Koppang and his team. President Blair introduced four new members to the club. They are Jim Perkins, Ron Pearce, Ed Reyno and Bennett Derman.

Tom McNicholas gave the golf report and advised that the S.E.G.A. has initiated a new numbering system. 40 plus members of the Club belong to the Association.

Election of the Men's Club Officers for 2010 was held and the new officers were voted into office by acclamation. The new officers are: President: Bob Ryan, Vice President: Steve Leonard, Treasurer: Morry Meadows, and Secretary: George Schramm.

On January 5th our guest speaker and former resident of Niguel Shores was Hank Stothard. Hank started his

career as a Professional Ice Hockey player in Canada. When he retired from Ice Hockey he started working for a newspaper and this developed into a colorful 37 year career as a sports writer and a radio and television announcer. Hank kept the group thoroughly entertained with stories about famous and the not so famous, the good and the bad, sports figures he has met and interviewed over the decades. He covered all sports and has met probably every important athlete in every major sport. Most of his career was in the Milwaukee area. Hank and his very accomplished piano player and UCI Professor, wife, Nan, are very happy to be living in Dana Point.

Pat Bates, the Orange County Supervisor, was our guest on Jan 19th. The group always looked forward to Pat's comments and insight. This year certainly was not any different.

The Men's Club meets the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month at 8:00

a.m. and welcomes everyone with a delicious hot breakfast and lots of interesting interaction. Non-members are encouraged to visit with us and consider joining.

—Bob Ryan

WOMEN'S CLUB

Who doesn't love a bargain these days? The February Women's Club meeting on the 11th will feature a fashion show by The Bargain Box. Volunteers from The Assistance League, Capistrano Valley Chapter, will model fashionable clothing that has been donated to The Bargain Box. A narrator will keep us entertained as outfits are presented. The Bargain Box is a major fund raiser for The Assistance League, which provides uniforms and other clothing for needy children in the San Juan Capistrano school district as well as Camp Pendleton. The League gives children two new outfits each fall and spring. In addition, the orga-

nization provides tutoring for students and presents puppet shows with instructions on manners and behavior. Women's Club members are invited to bring and donate a clean, gently used item of clothing or a household item at the meeting.

In recognition of the Chinese New Year—the Year of the Tiger—Tina Fornadley, our outside activities coordinator, has arranged a trip to the SW Restaurant in Irvine. Husbands and guests are welcome. The lunch will be on Feb. 18, and participants will go to the restaurant by car pool, meeting in the parking lot at 10:45 am. After the 11:30 lunch there are optional visits to a Chinese grocery and bakery. Shirley Smith is in charge of the car pooling and can be reached at 496-0483. The luncheon is \$15.00 per person, and checks, made out to Niguel Shores Women's Club, must be turned in to the office by Feb. 11.

—Phyllis Tezer



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WEDNESDAY BRIDGE

We celebrated the New Year with a beautiful large birthday cake for our January birthday girls—Freida Baskin, Adelle Shanta and Gloria Thraikill—and it was enjoyed by all. Our Kay Wittmack takes care of ordering the special cakes, and also is in charge of getting our bridge supplies when we run out. We are grateful for all the time Kay puts into our Wednesday bridges, and also thanks to others who help bring the snacks.



Front row: Kay Wittmack, Adelle Shanta, Shirley Heimstaedt, Freida Baskin, Edie Tisch. Second row: Lois Judith, Helen Campbell, Gloria Thraikill, Rita Lapple, Gaynell Reyno, (in back), Dorothy Horany, Patricia Conway, Sally (Edie's care giver)

We welcome bridge players to our friendly group. If you are interested, please call our February hostess, Freida Baskin at 661-3521.

Winners of the last few sessions are:

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| December 23 | Kay Wittmack and Helen Campbell |
| December 3 | Freida Baskin and Helen Campbell |
| January 6 | Kay Wittmack, Freida Baskin and Gaynell Reyno |
| January 13 | Shirley Heimstaedt, Gloria Thraikill and Adele Shanta |

—Helen Campbell

PAGE TURNERS

Page Turners meets on February 22, with a discussion of *Climbing the Mango Trees* by Madhur Jaffrey. It is a vividly recalled memoir, set in India. It tells the story of Ms. Jaffrey's childhood, her large family, the food they shared, and is, most particularly, a "testament to the power of food to evoke memory".

Both the morning (10 a.m.) and afternoon (12:30 p.m.) groups will meet at the home of Marcia Enger,

23935 Amundsen Bay. Phyllis Tezer will be the discussion leader for both groups.

Page Turners meets on the fourth Monday of each month September through June, except for December. If you wish more information please call Gloria Weintraub at 388-8433 (rdabook@cox.net) or Kathleen Hardcastle at 481-5503 (khlaguna@gmail.com).

—Kathleen Hardcastle

THE WONDERFUL OREO COOKIE BOOK CLUB MEETS AGAIN

On Wednesday, January 21, Princilla Agnew hosted the group where the biography and works of Albert Einstein were discussed. We agreed his concept of a curved space bent back on itself was difficult to comprehend, but we were willing to accept it. The group expressed sorrow at Einstein's inability to come up with a unifying theory of matter before his death, but then we understood that we all have our limitations. On February 24, 1:00 p.m. at the home of Norton Schwartz, 3370 Shackleton, we will review *The Waxman Report, How Congress Really Works* by Henry Waxman and Joshua Green and critique both his legislative record and his political techniques for getting bills through Congress.

—Norton Schwartz

LIBRARY

Children's Library:

Toddler Pre-School Story Times: Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m.,
Winter Story Times: January 12 – February 16
School-Age After School Club—Stories & Crafts: Thursdays at 4:00 p.m., January 14 – February 18
Family Pajama Story Time With the Sunshine Readers: 7:00 p.m. January 25 & February 22

After Hours at the Library: Friday, February 5, 7:00–9:00 p.m. Free! Go back in time to the 1930s and 40s with the song and piano group, Hart & Soul. This after-hours event is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Call the library for more information 949-496-5517.

Adult Book Club: 2nd Wednesday at 10:00-10:45 a.m. Do you like to discuss books with other people? Do you enjoy hearing differing opinions about literature and engaging in a lively debate? If so, join us on the second Wednesday of the month in the library meeting room. Each month's book can be picked up at the checkout desk.

February 10: *City of Thieves* by David Benioff, March 10: *Guns Germs and Steel* by Jared Diamond.

—Judith Pasek

DIPPY DOLPHINS

THE SPA IS OPEN ! It was a dreary day weather wise on New Year Eve, but it still did not stop the Grand Opening of the new spa. It seems only appropriate that the first dip was by Cynthia Carlson as she led a group of her “Dippy Dolphins” into the Spa.

—Hope Luedeke



Note: The new spa is eventually going to be a “salt water” spa, (it is a salt water technology, not Sea Water), but the conversion will not take place until after the spa has been in operation for a month.

FITNESS FOREVER

WHAT HAPPENED TO THOSE NEW YEAR’S RESOLUTIONS OF.....exercise, diet, etc?... Well, we have one solution right here in Niguel Shores..an exercise class!

SPORTS NEWS MARY CROWL, EDITOR

MEN’S GOLF

Our first Golf Tournament in 2010 was held at Tijeras Creek Golf Course on Jan. 12, 2010. The team of Tom McNicholas, Jack Sweeney, Terry McLaughlin and Hal Allen were the winners of the match with a score of 120 points. The game was two low-net balls of the four players. Second place was the team of Roy Dohner, Mike Baskin, Al Thome and Bob Converse with 124 points. The team of Bob Russell, Mac Brown, Morry Dohner and Gary Katsuki were third place at 125 points. The results of our next tournament at Red Hawk Golf Club in Temecula on Jan. 26 will be reviewed in the March issue of the *Seashore News*. We are playing many of the fine golf

Our exercise class starts at 8:30am (Yes, I know it’s early) and ends at 9:30am, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. The class costs \$60.00 per month (3 times a week) or \$10.00 per drop-in session. Hay, it’s COED. Come by or call Elaine Converse at 493-0866 for more info. Come and have fun and feel fit.

—Joan Beyer

EMERITUS COMMITTEE

The Emeritus Committee is pleased with the registration numbers for the Saddleback College Class, “Film As Literature”. This second semester presentation of the class on Monday afternoon in the ClubHouse has almost 90 individuals registered.

At our January meeting several educational options were discussed: Physical education classes in Yoga & Pilates, Humanities classes covering current events, Contemporary Middle East, Art History, Music, Theatre, Saddleback College classes in Photography, Bird Watching and Conversational Spanish. Interest has been expressed in all of these areas.

Because of state budget problems, community college funding continues to be rather precarious. The committee is seeking resourceful residents who might be willing to lead classes for interested residents. We will also be exploring other educational options. As a committee devoted to Lifelong Learning for NS residents, Emeritus will be meeting the 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:00 am in the clubhouse lobby. Residents who wish to provide input are welcome to attend.

—Bunny Ross

courses in Southern California this year. Play as many of them as you can, you won’t be disappointed in any of the courses on this year’s schedule.

Our first tournament in February will be at a course never before scheduled for a Men’s Club Tournament. It is the Anaheim Dad Miller course and is next to the Tiger Woods Training Facility.

—Tom McNicholas

WOMEN’S GOLF

The Niguel Shores Women’s Golf will have its next Fun Day of golf on February 8. Check-in time is 8:00 a.m. at Aliso Creek Golf Course. If you have not signed up to play or wish

to cancel, please call Barbara McKlveen (715-9473) or May Gramer (248-1272). A luncheon will follow at Niguel Shores. Sandwiches will be brought in and there will be a \$5.00 charge per person. If you are planning on attending the luncheon call Joan Beyer (496-1428) or Val Mitchell (582-8311). A short meeting will follow. If you haven't paid your 2010 dues yet they are \$15.00. Checks should be made payable to Gretchen Rask. As always, we welcome new players.

We started January with a fun day of golf, even with the cool temperature. Low net of 28 went to Gretchen Rask and Victoria Siegfried. Low gross of 41 went to Val Mitchell. Lowest putts of 16 went to Gretchen Rask.

There were 2 birdies – India Rouse on #7 and Gretchen Rask on #8. Closest to the pin on #8 was Gretchen Rask and longest drive on #9 was Val Mitchell. The mystery game was total team score for hole 1. The winning team was Team #1, Judy Boitano, Maria Elena Banks, Liz Kelsch and Anne Greenwood.

“Every time a golfer makes a birdie, he must subsequently make two triple bogeys to restore the fundamental equilibrium of the universe.”

—Val Mitchell



Carol's Cuisine Corner

How sad the famous Tavern on the Green in New York City has closed. We also have The Beach House in our area that has closed. Let's not have this continue to happen. Visit the restaurants that have been listed in the past Seashore News. This month I highlight restaurants in the entertainment book that many of you have. These restaurants have different discounts. Try some of the following for special occasions. Check the time the entertainment book card is available for the discount.

TI AMO: 31727 S. Coast Hwy.; 949 499 5350 Open for dinner only. A Gem in South Laguna.

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Let's keep restaurants in our area open. Go out with friends and family and enjoy the variety of foods we have in our area. Bon Appetite.

—Carol Yocom

Teens Talking

A brilliant spectrum of light threw itself at the water just as the sun slowly fell behind the horizon. The setting sun set the sky ablaze with a combination of fiery red and flaming orange, magnified by the still cool ocean. Fifteen year old onlooker Jed Bradshaw sat patiently crouching in the wet sand, steadying his pointer finger on the camera. Click! Just before the sun drooped below the horizon Jed captured a perfect shot. "Photography has always interested me", explains the sophomore at Dana Hills, "it's the thrill of capturing that perfect moment that keeps me taking pictures. It's the final outcome that excites me the most." In regards to a final outcome, Jed hopes to become a lawyer in prosecution or maybe pursue a career in the field of medicine. Both of these professions



Jed Bradshaw

require commitment and a passion for hard work; both of which Jed has acquired. Jed maintains a 4.0 GPA while balancing a busy lifestyle that includes being involved in a handful of clubs at Dana Hills; CSF, Dolphin Pride, and Jed is also an HMO student. He has also been involved in karate for over a year and claims

to have a "photographic memory with an aptitude for procrastination. It's easy for me to focus at school and get all my work done, but when I get home I usually wait till the last minute. Somehow I get it all done in the end," explains Jed with a smile. Jed has set his sights high, for he sees himself studying law at Harvard Law School or cutting bodies open at UCLA medical school. "Ivy League is my number one priority. I want to study hard now and focus on the big picture so that my hard work will eventually pay off in the near future, and my options will be much greater," explains Jed. With the hard work that comes to studying with the blue and gold bear, it is evident that a supportive family is right behind Jed. "My parents push me pretty hard to stay on top of my studies and I owe my academic success to their motivation. I may come up with the A in the class, but it's my parents who pushed me to believe that A was achievable in the first place."

—Colleen McNaught

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