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Editorial deadline for the December issue of the *Seashore News* is November 17.

BOARD ACTIONS



The Board attended a mediation session regarding a legal matter.

► The Board approved a recommendation to include notice of updates of the Litigation Disclosure Statement in the *Seashore News* and to make the Statements available to homeowners.

Reviewed the progress on the Community Center revitalization project.

Conferred with legal counsel on legal and litigation issues and conducted several hearings and imposed fines.

The Board reviewed a draft of a resolution concerning the granting of an easement to the South Coast Water District.

► The Board reviewed with our insurance broker the coverage requirements for 2006 and other pertinent insurance matters.



FROM THE HELM



VANDALISM

The term is derived from the name of an uncivilized Northern-European tribe that unleashed havoc on Europe and North Africa in the fourth and fifth centuries. Webster identifies them as vicious and ignorant. History says they were defeated in 534, but we still have a few around. Elsewhere in this issue of the Seashore News you will see photos of vandalism we've recently experienced in our community. This costs us money - costs you and me. One of these days we will apprehend one or more of these vandals, i.e. vicious and ignorant individuals. When we do catch them, we will prosecute them to the full extent of the law.

We need your help to apprehend them. If you see or hear any vandalism, call the Sheriff - 911 if it's an emergency or 248-3580 if the Sheriff won't be able to get there in time to arrest them.

DO NOT CONFRONT THEM! Remember, they are vandals – ignorant and vicious.

Try to get some information from observation: How many involved? Probable gender? How are they dressed? Is there a vehicle involved? What is the make, model, color, and -

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best of all - license number? What time is it? What day?

We need your help to catch these ignorant and vicious people. We will make a big deal of it when we do catch them! Oh, and parents will be held liable for the costs of damage and prosecution.

Please keep your eyes and ears open and let the office know if you see or hear of vandalism -493-0122.

Jerry Milner NSCA President

HUNT FOR NEW GENERAL MANAGER

Skip Eissfeldt, acting General Manager, has asked to be relieved as soon as a new permanent GM is found. Skip took over as acting General Manager over a year ago when the Association was in the process of finding a permanent replacement for Carol Porcella. Those who have worked with him feel he has done a terrific job and wish this arrangement could continue. However, Skip wishes to return to his retirement. We wish him the best.

The Board has again activated a search committee to find a new General Manager. This person will work for all owners in the Shores and your input is important. Do you have thoughts on where this person might be found or what type of person this should be? Any suggestions will be considered. Put your comments in writing, address to the GM Search Committee, and bring them to the office.

Richard Johns, member of the Board

The NSCA Staff would like to extend Warm Wishes to all of Niguel Shores throughout the Holiday Season



Watch for <u>delayed</u> TRASH PICKUP day this month - Thanksgiving

ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL COMMITTEE



Have you ever wondered why you have waterrelated problems with your house when we get so little rain in our beautiful climate? This is the first part in a series of three articles that explains most of the common water problems that we experience in Niguel Shores, and how to avoid them.

Starting at the top, water can enter from your roof. You may have some flat roof as part of your house. Water can pool on a flat roof and leak into your home through cracks or holes. Although tar and stone were once the only options to cover flat roofs, there are now membrane roofing materials that should provide a longer life. Even pitched roofs can experience leaks. Cracked shingles or roof tiles are likely culprits. Check your roof if your house has been tented for termites. Workers may crack shingles or tiles as they walk on your roof to install the tents.

Anything that penetrates a roof can also cause a leak. Roof penetrations include pipes, chimneys, skylights, etc. Metal roof flashing is installed at any of these penetrations to prevent leaks. Flashing keeps water on top of your roof that would otherwise get under your roof. A professional roofer may be able to repair a flashing leak without replacing your roof.

You must follow *Rule 3132* in your Niguel Shores Community Association *Rules and Regulations* before repairing or replacing your roof. Next time: Water coming through your walls...

LANDSCAPE COMMITTEE



As fall and winter begin, it's not necessary to leave any automatic sprinkler timers on. Check plants to see if they need to be watered and then turn on sprinklers for a few minutes, if necessary. The ground a few inches down usually stays wet for a long time unless the weather gets hot or windy again.

The Community trees will be trimmed in November by the landscape contractor, Wendt.

ART AFFAIRE



November 6 is the day of the Annual Art Affaire to be held in the multi-purpose room. The show will begin at 1:00 pm and will last until 4:30 pm. An entry fee of \$1 will include a drink and a chance to win a door prize donated by the artists. Children are free. Please come and enjoy the art and crafts prepared by residents of Niguel Shores.

> All articles submitted for publication to the *Seashore News* must include the author's name and a phone number. Articles not in compliance will <u>not</u> be published. Thank you for your cooperation.

TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMITTEE



Now that Daylight Savings Time has ended, be sure to see that timer settings have been adjusted, especially for lighted house numbers. Also, this would be a good time to replace smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries.

• Signs at the Entry Gates: Several articles have been published in the *Seashore News* about the cluttered look created by all the signs posted at the entry gates. The committee is finalizing a plan that will reduce significantly the number of signs. Some have already been removed and others will follow, leaving only those required by law.

• Vandalism: From June 1 through September 30, \$2,000 has been spent to repair or replace items caused by acts of vandalism. The following items are for the month of October:

- 5 street signs \$460
- 4 Coach lights \$130

• Twice, maintenance has had to drain the spa to remove soapy water out of the system - \$145

These senseless acts are causing everyone needless expenditures.

THE COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TEAM

FLASH! Word has just been received that at its scheduled meeting on October 19, the Board approved the Revitalization Team's recommendation to raze the existing office building and replace it with possible additional space. This was based on the analysis that the cost to repair the present building would exceed the cost of new construction. A summary of the consultant's fiindings will be available to all on the Niguel Shores web site or as a hard copy by request at the office.

The Community Revitalization Team has evaluated the final submission of the Consulting Architect's report on the needs and costs to update the structural condition of the office as phase 2 of the revitalization project. (The first phase of pool equipment relocation, plumbing, decking and electrical update has been completed.) Phase 2 of the remaining three phases has been prioritized as it represents the highest danger to people in the event of an earthquake . It is anticipated that this phase will be completed during 2006, followed by the multi-purpose room and the locker rooms as monies become available from our regular yearly assessment.

The consultant's report is extensive, based on evaluations by seven different independent experts and licensed contractors and includes, structural, termite, roof, plumbing, electrical, HVAC, and code compliance. An outside professional building cost estimator provided the cost estimates to make the appropriate repairs on the office. The report highlighted not only deficiencies previously identified but several new problems. Information in the report centered on the existing footprint of the building, with an additional 100 square feet of floor space to accommodate the required unisex bathroom and a fixed staircase to provide access to the upper storage loft.

Careful consideration of repair costs to bring the office up to satisfactory code and safety standards contained in the consultant's report as well as the present condition of the office and its functionality were reviewed. The team deemed that our present office must be revitalized as soon as possible and made its recommendation to the Board for their decision (remodel or replace). Monies are now available to proceed on this phase.

Soon after the Board decision the team will begin selection of the appropriate external architectural style appropriate to the entire final buildings. Initially, *The Community Revitalization Team continued on page 4* **COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TEAM** *continued* the consultant will provide four differing conceptual designs to be submitted to the Association members for preference. The community will also be asked if they favor a design not included. It is hoped that this process can be completed before the end of the year, at which time bid invitations will be sent to architects to commence actual design.

The revitalization team, made up of owners from each of the neighborhoods, is now actively moving forward to create a truly renovated Community Center campus that will be functional, safe and attractive.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Letters are welcome and limited to 200 words, typed if possible, including name, address and phone number of writer. Refer to NSCA Rule #5221,2,3. Submissions are due on the 17th of the month except in Feb., Nov., and Dec. when due on the 15th of the month.

I would like to pay tribute to a number of Niguel Shores residents who offered their assistance at the recent Home Tour of the Dana Point Historical Society. This event is one that combines a major fundraiser for the Society and provides the opportunity for local residents to visit the historical and contemporary homes in our community. This year the Tour included four large homes in Ritz Cove and the historic Dolph House in Dana Point – its first residence built in 1914. Staffing the five large homes, the Museum and buses required over 150 volunteers for two shifts. I am pleased to report that 35 of those volunteers were residents of Niguel Shores and I, as Co-President of the Dana Point Historical Society, want to thank and commend them for their contribution. The monies earned contribute to the Museum and support of the Community House, now a historic building, the scholarship fund, preservation of historic buildings in our town and the Oral History Project that records the memories of long-time residents and civic leaders as well as veterans for the Library of congress Veterans History Project. Kudos to all of you and many thanks.

Mary Crowl

Towing is still an issue. Contrary to the message on towing from Jerry Milner in the last issue, the guards continue to tow without taking photos and giving warnings. In July my daughter's car, (in a regular parking spot) was towed without warnings. Barbara Hall's guest's car, who by an error at the guard gate had no pass, was hooked up to a tow truck without any warnings (regular parking spot). Another family on Windjammer had their car given two warnings and then towed during one night – but both warnings and the towing occurred while they were asleep. Does Mr. Milner know what is happening in our community? On July 16, I filled a towing reimbursement request and about September 29 delivered a letter to the General Manager asking about resolution. To date I have not had a response. I am now considering a lawsuit. Thirty plus years ago our association could have perhaps been run as it is now. But times have changed. Perhaps it is time for a professional management company to take control of the helm and bring a depth of experience and professionalism that is now needed.

Tom O'Keefe

The blatant acts of vandalism by the Niguel Shores residents and guests has reached epidemic proportions. Dumping trash on the bathroom floors, stuffing toilet paper down the shower drains, \$495 repairs to the fob gate next to the spa, throwing chairs in the spa which has damaged the plaster, 9 street lights broken out, 7 street signs ripped right off of their poles, pulling on the new gate arm at Cabrillo which required an expensive repair; and I am not even including the inanity of taking a bath in the spa with soap and shampoo that required that it be drained, cleaned and refilled before anyone else could us it, or attempting to destroy the portable potties at the Beach Bluff.

It is time for the parents in this community to talk to their children and tell them to start respecting the property of others and to take responsibility for their actions as well as their friends. Cameras in the Community have identified some of the recalcitrants but we need everyone's help to stop this ludicrous expenditure of Association funds.

Dick Mackaig

MENS CLUB



The Mens Club of Niguel Shores meets the first and third Tuesdays of each month at 8:00 am in the multi-purpose room. Each meeting includes a "homemade" breakfast, excellent fellowship, a short business meeting and an interesting guest speaker.

The November 1 speaker will be San Juan Capistrano resident Kevin Murphy. Kevin is the leader of an effort to recall the Capistrano Unified School Board over the question of building a \$30 million adminis-*Mens Club continued on page 5*

MENS CLUB continued

trative building. They feel funds should be better spent to upgrade deteriorating school facilities rather than building vanity administrative facilities.

On November 15 we will host representatives of the Orange County Fire Authority. Their presentation will inform our members about the variety of services provided to the over 1.3 million residents of Orange County.

We invite all men of the community to hear our speakers and consider participating in the Mens Club meetings, golf, and many outside activities. If you are not a member, please come and visit us. Be our guest and sample the fellowship.

WOMENS CLUB

On Thursday, November 10, Womens Club members will feast on a catered lunch and see new fall and winter fashions presented by the Carved Horse of San Juan Capistrano. It is necessary to have reservations as soon as possible. Checks for \$12 may be taken to the office before November 7. Don't miss this annual fun event to view the newest fashions of the season!

Please remember December 8. That is the date to celebrate the holidays with a gala cocktail party in the Community Center.

Members who have not received the new directory of the Womens Club for this year may pick it up at the office. The office staff will check off each name as members receive a copy.

The November board meeting will be at Carol Yocom's home on thursday, November 7 at 3:00 pm.

WOMENS GOLF

Monday, November 14, is the regular Fun Day for Niguel Shores women golfers. The golf captains for the day are Ceacy Johns, 393-8355, and Jo Jackson, 499-3726. For luncheon, immediately following nine holes of golf at Aliso Creek Golf Course, the hostesses are Irene McDonald, 481-3035, and Sally Lee Howd, 4889-4365. To make a tee time or a lunch reservation, contact one of these members.

A special Fun Day and Christmas luncheon will take place on Monday, December 12.

Birdies were flying on the golf course in October, that is, the kind awarded for breaking par. Seven out of eleven golfers were awarded birdie prizes. The longest driver of the day was Chris Beaver. The best tee shot on par-3 number 6 was made by Ceacy Johns; the best tee shot on par-3 number 8, was made by Gretchen Rask. The fairways were cut short and the golf balls ran long. Marlene Lynch had a great low gross score of 37, and Chris Beaver won for low net score. Judy Boitano was low putter on the course, with just 15 putts.

It's a walk in the country with good friends...that's what Fun Day is. Come and join us.

GARDEN CLUB

The Garden Club will meet on Monday, November 21, at noon in the Community Center. This month the members will create a holiday garden project to share with the Shut-In Program of the Dana Point Community Center. This is the club's Forget-me-not project for the year. All supplies will be provided by the committee, and this should be an enjoyable and worthwhile project for all Garden Club members.

Refreshments will be provided. Sign-up sheets for the December 19 holiday party will be available.

Remember to bring items to share for the horticultural table and contributions to the Penny Pines project.

Contact Carol Kuhn at 496-0814 for any inquiries concerning the project. Residents interested in joining the Garden Club may contact membership chair person, Debbie Hansen at 493-7315. Any Niguel Shores residents are welcome.

PAGE TURNERS



Page Turners will meet at 10:00 am on Monday, November 28, at the home of Karla Sanders, 33902 Manta Court. Discussion of *The Devil in the White City* by Erik Larson will be led by Marion Evans. All bookworms interested in a lively group are welcome, but a call to Marion at 661-3248 would be appreciated if you would like to attend.

POTLUCK

New members of the community are invited to meet some of the long-time residents at the Thanksgiving Potluck on Sunday, November 20. Don't be a turkey and come join us at 6:00 pm for cocktails and conversation, and dinner at 7:00 pm. Those on the list are called, but call us if you are new or aren't contacted.

A-EAnn and Jack Christiansen248-1962F-OMyron Miller496-7513P-ZMarion and George Evans661-3248

WEDNESDAY BRIDGE



Anyone interested in playing bridge is welcome to play at the Community Center every Wednesday at 11:30 am, until about 3:00 pm. In November, call Gloria Thrailkill (661-0763) or Betty Steinwinter (240-4462), if you would like to play. Winners since last Seashore News:

Sept. 21

Oct. 5

1. Regina Brevik

1. Pat Conway

2. Gloria Thrailkill 3. Helen Campbell

2. Regina Brevik 3. Helen Campbell

Oct. 12

Sept. 28

1. Edythe Tisch

- 1. Regina Brevik
- 2. Helen Stevenson
- 3. Dal Weber
- 2. Dorothy Horany 3. Helen Stevenson

NEIGHBORHOOD ADS

Items for Seashore News ads must be submitted by the 17th of the month except in Feb., Nov. and Dec. when they are due on the 15th of the month. Include a check payable to NSCA, \$3 for a maximum of 30 words. Advertisers must fill out a form available at the Association office. Neither NSCA nor the Seashore News assumes responsibility or liability for quality of goods advertised. See Rule 5525.

A like-new Sundance Spa for sale. Must sell to make room for home construction to begin. We will disconnect it. However purchasing party is responsible for moving it. If interested please call Moh Torabi at 636-2116. If no one is home, please leave a message.

Artist - Horticulturist (20 years in Niguel Shores) seeks accounting, filing, P.C. help (Money 2006, etc.), part-time to survive! Also light gardening assistance, 240-7346.

Free to a good home, 6-year-old kitchen appliances still installed in perfect condition. Whirlpool wall oven with microwave, Jenn-air cooktop and In-sinkerator. Installation can be arranged. Available November 15. 240-7015.

Looking for other women in Niguel Shores who are interested in road cycling together. Please call Kellie at 429-2976.

Big Bear vacation rental -2 bdr., 2 bath. Cabin is close to lake, ski resort, and local shopping. Plan your weekend get-away. Call Sandy at 487-4159.

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> **DANA POINT** CITY COUNCIL TV 2nd and 4th Thursday Start 6:00 pm, Recess 6:30 pm Resume 7:00 pm



The Communication Committee is seeking new members. Please contact board liaison Don Johnston if you are interested.

Looking for your name in the paper? Read it first on the Web www.niguelshores.org Click on Seashore News comments to the Webmaster at bjf@cox.net

VANDALS COST US MONEY

In the last four months we have had sixteen incidents of vandalism. These has cost the association \$2,885 in labor and materials. This does not include the lost time which the maintenance staff could have used to complete other work.

The incidents include:

Broken Signs Throwing chairs in the spa Soap in the spa Broken coach lights Stuffing paper into toilets Stealing letters from entrance signs

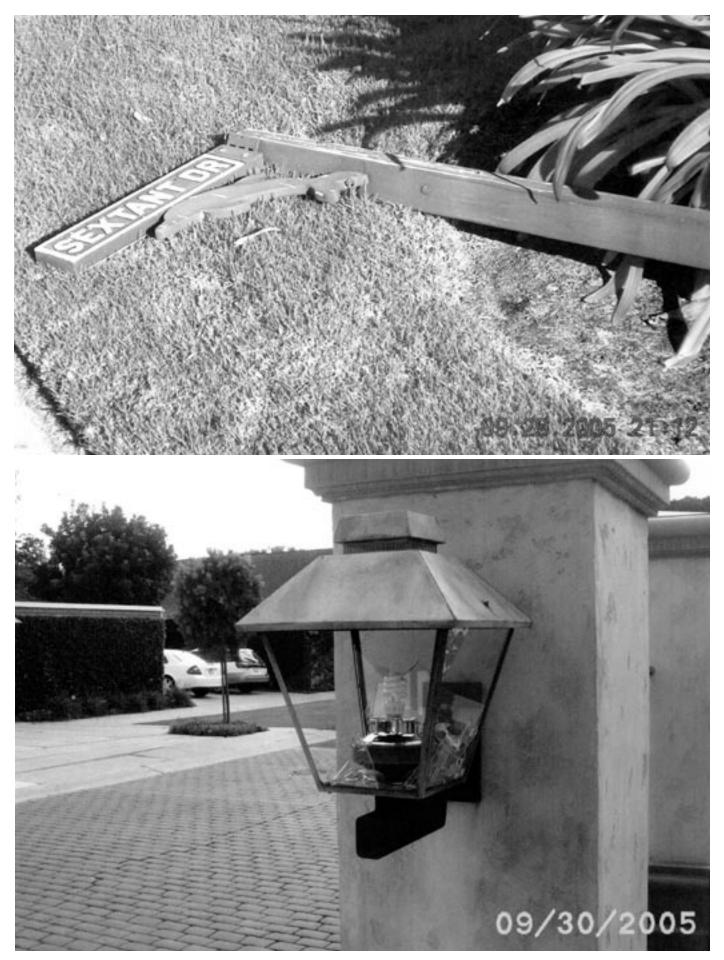
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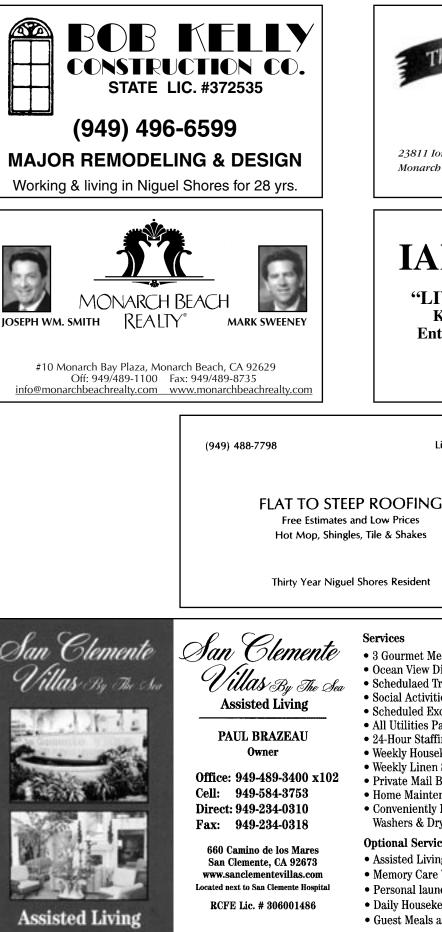
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MEETINGS

1:00 pm, 1st and 3rd Thursdays See Calendar

See Calendar 3:00 pm, 2nd Monday 9:00 am, 3rd Friday 1:30 pm, 4th Wednesday 9:30 am, 3rd Wednesday 1:00 pm, 2nd and 4th Mondays

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November 2005 in Niguel Shores



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