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#### JERRY MILNER HONORED

#### FOUR-TIME PRESIDENT!

You read in *From the Helm* that Jerry Milner was honored with a plaque at the last Board meeting. It was a well-deserved tribute to a man who has given so much to keep our Association running and running smoothly. Jerry came to Niguel Shores in 1994, joined the Maintenance Committee in 1995 and the Finance Committee shortly afterwards. He ran for the Board in 1996, was president 1997-98, president

in 1998-99, took a rest, was re-appointed to the Board in 2001 after the resignation of a member and was president in 2002-03. That's not all: After two years traveling and following his other pursuits, he ran for the Board in 2004 and was president in 2005-06. Now, that is a record! Bravo, Jerry, and many thanks for your time and expertise.

Jerry says that some of favorite accomplishments have been rebuilding the Mariner Gate, setting the designs for the Cabrillo and Selva Gates, starting a street repaying project after 30

years of use, and working with the Finance Committee to improve the underfunded reserves. Another good memory is that of starting the movement to replace the old topiary dolphins with the magnificent sculpture by Frank Turner. Of course, Jerry as president, was involved in the current Community Center Revitalization Project and made a major contribution

#### FROM THE HELM

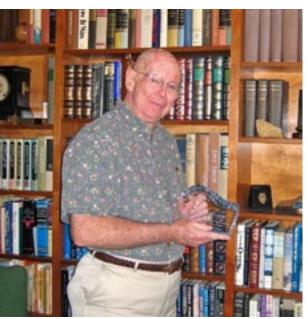
Shirley Smith's wonderful letter to the "VOICE OF THE PEOPLE" in the October issue of the SSN reminded us all that, while we take for granted that each monthly issue will automatically be delivered to our homes, 74 dedicated community volunteers are required to make this happen!

I would like to call to your attention two committee volunteers who have gone "beyond the nor-

mal call of duty" expected of those serving on a NSCA Committee. At the September homeowner Open Forum, I presented to Jerry Milner a plaque honoring the four terms he has served as President of the Board of Directors of the Niguel Shores Community Association. I doubt that anyone will ever break Jerry's record of dedicated service to the community at this level. Thanks and congratulations Jerry.

Rob Rifkin is a relative newcomer to Niguel Shores,

but in a few short years as a volunteer committee member, he has made some major contributions to the NSCA. Serving on the Information Technology Committee, he researched and recommended the best telephone system for the NSCA to manage the office and gate control system while reducing costs and improving service. With the assistance of our Maintenance Staff, he installed the new system in our current office. He volunteered to



Jerry Milner with his award for serving four terms as President of the Board

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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

Editorial deadline for the December issue of the Seashore News is November 15.

Leash your pet Clean up the residue. NSCA Rules 9101; **Orange County Ordinance,** Title 4



#### **DON'T FORGET** TO VOTE!

November 7 from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm in the multi-purpose room

#### **BOARD ACTIONS**



**OCTOBER 4. 2006 BOARD MEETING** (General Session)

- ► Received and approved the August 2006 Financial & Delinquency **Reports**
- ▶ Approved the appointment of Bonnie Gilberstadt to the Tree View Blockage Committee and the resignation of Gaye Vaughan from the Traffic & Safety Committee
- ► Reviewed letters sent to two homeowners on Windjammer regarding concerns over view blockage by new office building. Letters stated the facts that, with a lower roof line and the removal of two existing trees, the view actually im-
- ► The following projects were reviewed and updated:

Office Revitalization Project – Finalization of plans and contractors notified of bid process.

Water Remediation / Diversion Project- Scheduled meeting with SCWD General Manager on 10/05/06 to sign Agreement.

Water Irrigation Project- In contract bid process.

Del Mar HOA tree removal request – Bid from Wendt forwarded to HOA for its approval and accep-

IT Committee – Managed the installation of the new telephone system and obtaining bids for digital document storage. Reviewed legal aspects of Document Retention/Destruction policies.

- ▶ Review of ACC policies & checklist for slope encroachment submittals.
- ► Instructed GM Riley to research the cost and availability of earthquake insurance for the Association.

- ► Reviewed the President's Committee Chair Briefing and agreed to hold this meeting quarterly with all Committees.
- ▶ Discussed the pool temperature and directed the GM to raise and maintain the temperature at 82 Degrees.
- ► Reviewed a letter from Ceacy Johns regarding restructuring of the Seashore News and agreed to submit her recommendations to the new editor, Mary Crowl.
- ► GM Riley discussed plans for a Safety & Security Seminar to be presented by Jan Sener of the Orange County Sheriff's Dept. on Monday, October 9 in the MPR.
- ► Authorized President Evans to write a letter of recognition to homeowner Rob Rifkin, for his service on three committees and the effort he put into the installation of the new telephone system, saving the Association thousands of dollars.

#### OCTOBER 4, **BOARD MEETING** (Executive Session)

Attorney Fiore presented his status report on pending legal matters.

Discussed the Association's new D&O Insurance Policy.

Discussed Committee reorganization / renaming issues.

Discussed the Association's power to defend directors.

Discussed Gateworks Service Agreement

Discussed Small Claims Court filing regarding HO's tire damage claim.

Approved changes to Employee Dental Plan.

Full copies of the General Session Minutes are available in the NSCA office.

Next open Homeowner Forum – November 15, 7:30 pm.

#### FOUR TIME PRESIDENT continued

to that ad hoc committee.

Jerry retired from a long career with the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company, was involved for many years in politics in Glendale, served as a member of the city council and as mayor of that city. He continues his interest in local Dana Point politics.

To say Jerry and his wife, Barbara, like to travel is the understatement of the decade! Jerry has been to 157 countries and has not yet lost his wanderlust. On the next trip they'll be flying down to Rio and, from there, taking a cruise along the coast and up the great Amazon River. Bon voyage, Jerry. Enjoy your freedom and thanks for everything.

Mary Crowl

#### FROM THE HELM continued

relocate the system to the temporary trailer and reinstall equipment to the new office.

He has also made a major contribution to the *ad hoc* Committee on the Community Center Revitalization by providing professional consulting services to the project architect on all IT requirements for the new office. These services provided by Rob, at no cost, will save the NSCA thousands of dollars.

Finally, with other members of the Architectural Control Committee, he helped change policies and procedures to reduce misunderstandings with remodel applicants and encouraged dialogue to find solutions if problems do exist. These efforts have contributed to the NSCA being able to minimize potential lawsuits. Thank Rob when you see him.

With the reduction in potential lawsuits, the NSCA has now been able to purchase a new Directors and Officers insurance policy which provides the protective coverage required for directors, volunteer committee members and employees. This will allow the Association to continue its present form of governance which is so heavily dependent on our volunteers.

As families, we have much to be thankful for in Niguel Shores. Have a happy and safe Thanksgiving!

George Evans NSCA President

### MESSAGE FROM GENERAL MANAGER

#### SECURITY IN NIGUEL SHORES

The MPR room was packed with a standing-room-only crowd on Monday, October 9 during the Safety & Security presentation sponsored by the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Director Jan Sener and Sgt. Jim McLemore took residents through all the aspects of: "Whose responsibility is it?", citizen involvement, and the how, when, and why of reporting. The discussion in regards to "The Gated Community Mentality" was also very informative and left the group with one clear message..... If you see suspicious activity, DO NOT CALL THE GATE! Instead, call:

#### ORANGE COUNTY SHERIFF 949 770-6011

In addition, two other related suggestions came out of the meeting. One was to develop a Niguel Shores Directory and the other was to "kick up" the awareness of the Neighborhood Watch Program.

First, to the directory. People would like to know who their neighbors are and how to contact them in an emergency. The Association will begin putting the directory together and we expect to have it available by January. You will be provided a registration form and you will need to authorize the Association to publish your information. If you DO NOT want your personal information in the Directory, you will be able to "OPT OUT" and only your address will be listed.

I also want to assure you that your information will never be shared outside the community for any advertising or commercial marketing. Look for the registration form in the office or in a special mailing.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM

There will be another special seminar by the OC Sheriff on Tuesday, November 14, "Your Neighborhood Watch Program". We are looking for local Block Captains, and if you would like to learn more, we encourage you to attend this informative seminar. For questions, please contact me at:

GM@niguelshores.org

Leo Riley General Manager

## COMMUNITY CENTER REVITALIZATION

After many long months of planning the community will be seeing the beginning of phase 3 (the office) of the revitalization of our facilities. During October structural and electrical engineers completed their survey of our buildings thus providing input for the final complete drawings for the new building. Work on this design will be completed this month in preparation for permits and bidding which will go out late in the period.



Admire it now--it won't be there long...

Meanwhile, our Maintenance staff is doing the make-ready for placement of the temporary office quarters on tennis court 1. Utilities for the temporary trailers are already installed and as the month goes on some fencing and temporary ramping to provide access for trailers will be taking place. This will require demolition of part of the present parking area necessitating use of the street for parking. The trailers are expected to be put in place during the last week of the month and ready for occupancy about mid December. The move from the present office to the temporary building is expected to occur between December 15 and the first week in January. The project has been designed to allow recreation facilities (pool, 3 tennis courts the community center and the locker rooms) to be available during the preliminary and construction activities although access to these facilities will be changed. Every effort will be made to minimize the resulting inconvenience. Progress has its price.

Don Johnston



#### A tribute...

The tall man in the tall hat in the Uncle Sam costume that you have seen at all those 4th of July celebrations was Hal Therolf--the one who gave us all cause for a big smile. A resident since 1979, Hal served many years on the Tree View Blockage Committee and chaired it for the last few years; he was at various times president, secretary and treasurer of Sea Terrace I; he participated in men's golf, men's tennis, was an officer of the Mens Club, helped with the barbecues, collated the newsletter and won the Dorothy Dudley award along with his wife, Patty, in 1994. Need there be more rea-

sons for a rousing tribute and grand thank you to this generous man who gave so much to our community? Thank you Hal from all of us...

#### and, a thank you...

Hope Luedeke, now busy as the president of the Womens Club, has recently resigned from the Communication Committee after many years of faithful and diligent service to the *Seashore News*, seeing that the "i"s were dotted and the "t"s were crossed and that the "p"s and "q"s were kept in line. We all appreciate your valuable contributions and say, "Many, many thanks, Hope."

Mary Crowl

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **MAINTENANCE**



How many NSCA maintenance men does it take to change a light bulb???? None, nada, zero, zip, because they have found and installed bulbs that seldom need changing, put out more light, AND require fewer watts and therefore fewer of our dollars.

Community Center Revitalization Project – The Maintenance Department is preparing tennis court #1 for receipt of a trailer for the office personnel. Water, phone and computer lines are being routed from the MPR to the court. Discussions are being held with various trailer rental firms on facilities, accommodations and costs.

**New Phone System** - The new phone system has been installed in the office and adjoining buildings and includes voice mail. The system was identified and installed by Mr. Rob Rifkin and the Maintenance Department with a minimum of interruptions.

**Letters–Garibaldi/Manta** - Missing letters have been installed on the walls outside of the entrances.

Water Diversion Project – The project was approved by the Board as recommended by the Maintenance Committee. The contract has been let to West Coast Paving and should take about 6 weeks to complete starting the end of October. The streets affected by the project are Cabrillo Isle (south end) and Magellan Isle (south end). There might be minor delays on Niguel Shores Drive between Nauticus Isle and Windjammer as connections are made into the SCWD sewer system.

Sam Johnson

#### **LANDSCAPE**



Wendt Landscaping will be completing the community tree trimming by the end of November.

With shorter, cooler days upon us, it is now time to change your sprinkler timers. If you happen to be a non-resident homeowner, please take note and remember to inform your gardeners to change your timers for less frequent watering.

Karen Linger

#### TRAFFIC AND SAFETY



Now that Daylight Saving Time has ended, be sure your timer settings have been adjusted, especially if you have a lighted house number. This would also be a good time to replace the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

Miriam Roehlk and Gay Vaughan, both long time members of this committee, have recently submitted their resignations. The Committee wishes to thank both of them for their many years of dedicated service. They will truly be missed.

Martin Dedrick

#### TREE VIEW BLOCKAGE

Neighbor to neighbor communication is encouraged in regard to view blockage issues. Often homeowners are unaware that a view blockage exists.

## ARCHITECTURAL CONTROL

#### THE EVOLUTION OF A COMMUNITY

A perspective from the Niguel Shores Architectural Control Committee:

The purpose of the Architectural Regulations and Guidelines is to interpret, implement and complement the recorded Covenants, Conditions and Restrictions (CC & R's) that govern all properties in the Niguel Shores Community Association. These Regulations and Guidelines are not intended to discourage or impede improvements, construction, landscaping, drainage, and maintenance but to help ensure that all such improvements will contribute to the overall attractiveness of the Association's neighborhoods, and will not unreasonably interfere with the views and privacy of neighboring properties.

The regulations and guidelines are necessary to advise members in advance of the types of exterior improvements that will and will not be allowed in order to meet these objectives.

Having described our purpose and the responsibilities of the Architectural Control Committee, we need to look at the past and the present. When Niguel Shores was being developed, many first-time buyers were retiring or purchasing these homes as vacation

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#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS CONTINUED:**

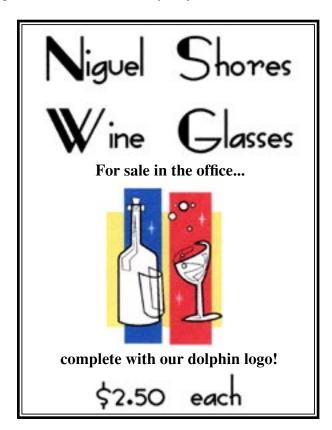
homes. Today, it is a much different situation. Home values have dramatically increased, homes are aging, and younger families are coming to the Shores to be part of the beach community life style. The desire to expand, remodel, or rebuild homes has significantly increased over the last few years.

As we began a new century, we also began a new era for Niguel Shores. As many of you know, this year we began to clarify some of the rules and regulations regarding construction and remodels to meet the needs of our changing community. Our committee is here to serve you and assist you to meet the regulations and guidelines of Niguel Shores.

Jerry Koppang

#### COMMUNICATION

During this period of transition and reorganization, we encourage all contributors to the Seashore News to present their articles in an e-mail format. Please send those contributions to the Seashore News staff member assigned to your area with a copy to aa@niguelshores.org. If we receive your article by e-mail, it does not need to be re-typed. We can put it in a column format with minimal changes and fewer errors are made. Just be sure that your spelling and grammar are correct. Try it, you'll like it!



#### RECREATION

This month we look forward to the annual Art Affaire on Sunday, November 5 from noon until 4:30 pm. Any artist resident of Niguel Shores is invited to show his/her original artwork. There is a \$10 entrance fee per artist. Come and see all of the talent that resides in Niguel Shores. This year our Art Affaire welcomes children to submit one piece of artwork. Rules regulate that all child submissions must be framed or matted and be an original, creative endeavor by the child artist. You can contact Gloria Ontiveros or Doris Adams with any additional questions.

We are sad to see another summer gone but excited about our fast approaching holiday season. Your Recreation Committee is hard at work planning our first ever Holiday Party. Mark your calendars for Sunday, December 3 from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm. Bring the entire family and come mingle with your neighbors as we get into the holiday spirit. Enjoy complimentary coffee, hot chocolate and cookies. See page 13 for details. Also, look for our banner at the front gate and posters in the window boxes at all Niguel Shores entrances.

Thank yous to Niguel Shores for the proceeds from the Luau have been received from Lauren Hovey, Development Coordinator of the Make-A-Wish foundation of Orange County and the Inland Empire and Mona el Kurd, Program Support of Hospice of Saddleback Valley.

For those of you who did not attend our Spooktacular Halloween Party, a ghoulish time was had by all. Our little ghosts and goblins played games, got treats and had pizza and drinks with sweets. We owe a huge thanks to our many volunteers and bakers of all ages who put in a lot of time and effort to make Halloween fun for all. And, a special thank you goes to Cristin Cobb and Susan Meredith who were the brains behind this event.

Our many residents who have enjoyed the Ritz Carlton's tree lighting in the past may want to attend this year's event which will be on Sunday, November 19 at 4 pm. A similar one will take place on Sunday, November 26 at 4:30 at the St. Regis Hotel. Their annual sand castle will be on display in the lobby.

Patty Mullen Cook

## **CLUB NEWS**

#### **MENS CLUB**



This annual elegant event will be held at the El Niguel Country Club from 6:30 to 11:00 pm on Tuesday December 12. Music will be supplied by the popular Sam Conti Orchestra. Black tie is optional.

Dinner entree choices are Filet Mignon, Glazed Salmon or Chicken Piccata. Dinner will be served with roasted potatoes, vegetables, coffee, tea, red and white wine followed by dessert.

For reservations and entree selection contact Norb Berberich, Mens Club President, @ 661-6900. Cost is \$130 per couple (\$65 per person.)

Norb Berberich

#### WOMENS CLUB



The next meeting of the Womens Club will be held on Thursday, November 9, at the Community Center and feature a fall fashion show. A social half-hour will begin at noon followed by a catered luncheon at 12:30 pm. The luncheon will cost \$15. The show will feature the latest fall fashions presented by Draper and Damon, with Womens Club members as models.

Paid reservations are necessary for this event. Reservations are by check which should be made out to NSWC and taken to the office by November 6. if you have any questions, please call Phyllis Tezer at 496-4710.

The November board meeting will be held at the Community Center on Thursday, November 2, at 3:00 pm.

A reminder that the Womens Club Holiday Cocktail Party will be held on Thursday, December 7, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in the Community Center with the Mens Club as guests. If you wish to purchase a poinsettia for use at the party, please call Carol Kuhn at 496-0814.

The Care and Concern Committee has a need for greeting cards to be sent to members who are ill or in need of some cheer. Please dig into your closets and see if you can help with this need. There will be a box at meetings to collect any cards contributed.

Barbara Boyd

#### PAGE TURNERS



Page Turners will meet on Monday, November 27, at 10:00 am to discuss *To Kill a Mockingbird* by Harper Lee. Gloria Weintraub will lead the book discussion at the home of Wanda Bunker, 23881 Coral Bay, and refreshments will be provided by Irene McDonald.

There is no meeting in December. *My Family and Other Animals* by Gerald Durrell will be discussed in January.

The meeting format includes a brief social time at 10:00 am, with refreshments, followed by the discussion. Please call Diane Hearne, 661-6267, if you would like to participate.

Hope Luedeke

#### WEDNESDAY BRIDGE



Bridge players meet every Wednesday at 11:30 am in the MPR to play social bridge. New people are always welcome. For play in November, call Dorothy Horany, 496-7671. Winners since last *Seashore News*:

September 20 – Helen Campbell, May Wale Brown, Pat Conway.

September 27 – Robbie Wolff, Helen Campbell, Gloria Thrailkill.

October 4 – Helen Campbell, Kay Wittmack, Robbie Wolff.

October 11 - Regina Brevik, Edie Tisch,

**Betty Steinwinter** 

All who have played with us this year are invited to our Christmas Luncheon on December 13. Save the date!

Betty Steinwinter

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#### **CLUB NEWS CONTINUED:**

#### **FAMILY CLUB NEWS**

For a while there hasn't been much to report from the Family Club, primarily because many of the families with very young children have been meeting at the park without any involvement from the Family Club. Many families with Junior High and High School age students have been interested in reviving the Family Club in order to facilitate drop in basketball games, volleyball games, etc., and barbeques at the park.

With this in mind, we are asking readers to respond, either by e-mail or phone calls, with ideas and interest in the Family Club. We would appreciate knowing the names and age of your children and their interests, and any ideas that you'd like to see the Family Club initiate.

Please send your information niguelshoresclub@aol.com, or call Angie Narel at 240-0565, who is helping to coordinate this effort.

We hope to hear from a lot of families!

Angie Narel

#### **POTLUCK**

Mark your calendars and plan to join us at the November potluck on Sunday, November 19 in the multi-purpose room. Please bring your own table service and favorite beverage.

If you are new to potluck, please call a committee member who will answer your questions and advise you to bring a salad, hot dish or dessert.

Irene & Blair McDonald A-E 481-3035 F-O Sheila & Ray Furst 661-0601 Marian & Jerry Pearl 493-9500 Cocktails at 6:00 pm and dinner at 7:00

#### GARDEN CLUB



The Garden Club will meet on Monday, November 20 at noon in the Clubhouse. This month members will create a holiday garden project in the form of gift bags to share with members of the Shut-In Program of the Dana Point Senior Center. This is the Club's Forget-Me-Not project for the year and is an enjoyable and worthwhile project for all Garden Club members.

The committee in charge will provide the gift bags and small gifts as far as the budget will allow. Members are asked to bring donations in the form of coffee mugs (no self-promoting advertisements), hotel samples, e.g. soaps, shampoos, etc., suitable bingo gifts such as small picture frames, etc., and any other small gifts. Last year's recipients of this project were highly appreciative of the gift bags.

Contact Francine Stout at 248-7627 for any inquiries concerning the Forget-Me-Not Project.

Refreshments will be provided. Please bring a bag lunch if you wish. Sign up sheets will be available for the December 18 Holiday Party.

Remember to bring items to share for the horticultural table and contributions to the Penny Pines Project. Residents interested in joining the Club may contact Debbie Hanson at 493-7315. All are welcome.

November garden tips: November is typically the start of the rainy season. One can continue to plant most perennials and shrubs but, put a thick layer of organic mulch around your plants. Cut back fuchsias by two-thirds. Roses are not at their best now but do not fertilize. Clean up rose leaves so fungus does not survive in soil and mulch. Happy gardening.

**NOTE:** A lobsterfest is planned for November 2 at 6 pm in the Community Center for members only: \$22 per person. Call Jack Sweeney at 661-5924 for details.

Ann Strauss



## **SPORTS NEWS**

Peter Rask

#### **MENS GOLF**

Lots of golf going on with the Mens Club as play continues for the Club Championship with two of the four rounds completed with play at Camp Pendleton on September 12 and Twin Oaks the next week on September 18. After intensive betting on the participating teams, the Daniel Christianson team leads the pack followed by second place team of Brown/ Johns. Two rounds remain however, and all participants are still in the race. The final round to determine the champion will be played at Arroyo Trabuco on November 14. All proceeds from the matches go to the Mens Club Scholarship Fund.

Seventeen couples traveled to Solvang for this

year's "Couples Away" golf outing. First day's play was at the Marshallia Ranch, Vandenberg Air Force Base with the second round occurring at the Alisal Ranch River Course. Winner of the "Foxy Lady" fur wrap was



"Pearl Jacket" winner Bob Converse

Chris Веаver and winner of the famous



"Foxy Lady" winner Chris Beaver

"Pearl Jacket" was Bob Converse. The weather was perfect, golf conditions superb, food and lodging outstanding, and a great time was enjoyed by all.

Quote of the month: Number 9 of the 32 absolute truths of golf says: "When you're afraid a full shot might reach the green while the foursome ahead of you is on the green and is putting, you

have two options: You can immediately shank a lay up shot or wait until the green is clear and top a ball halfway there".

#### MENS AND WOMENS TENNIS

I wish I could report on the latest tennis games in the Shores, but I do not have the necessary contacts. Ladies, gents, kids let me have the news on this topic, and tell me who to contact on your events. Pete Rask 489-2259.

#### WOMENS GOLF

The next Fun Day is Monday, November 13. Check in time is 8:00 am at Aliso Creek Course. After nine holes of golf the group will meet at the Niguel Shores Community Center for a lunch prepared by Judy Boitano, 661-9495. A meeting will follow. Golf captains are Gretchen Rask, 489-2259 and Ruth Stahl, 248-5750. Please call the lunch hostess and one of the golf captains if you are not signed up or if you need to cancel. Last minute cancellers also need to call the starter at the course, 499-1919.

At the October (Halloween) outing May Gramer was the winner with a low gross of 36, followed by Irene McDonald and Val Mitchell at 41. "Game of the Day" winners were Judy Boitano and Pauline Ross. Barbara Brabeck, Linda Ross and Joan Beyer had the best putting stats with 17 apiece. The longest drive was banged out by Judy Boitano, and the contest for "closest to the pin" was won by Irene Mc-Donald on #6 and Val Mitchell on #8. (Did we miss anyone?) No witches were sighted.

All Niguel Shores women are invited to come out for the games and enjoy the exercise, fresh air and talk at the Aliso Creek Course. The emphasis is on fun, it's only nine holes and all levels of golfers are welcome.

#### **Christmas Luncheon**

The annual Christmas Luncheon will be held on December 4 at the Fountains. (Please note that this is one week before our regular monthly game which will be on the 11th.) Payment of \$25 for the December luncheon is due to Lee Sweeney by November 15.



## **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

#### DANA POINT HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Many thanks to all the Niguel Shores residents who volunteered for the Home Tour – you helped make it another great success!

Upcoming events:

November 11 – Day trip to the Modjeska House December 3 – Annual Holiday Open House at the Community Center – 1:00 - 4:00 pm

> Visit our Web site at www.danapointhistorical.org Call 248-8121 for more information

#### AARP SAFE DRIVING COURSE

REMINDER
November 16 and 17 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Call Anita Geger at 496-2125.

#### LIBRARY NEWS

The library and bookstore have been closed since October 13 for refurbishments and will reopen on November 4. When it reopens, be aware that there will be a BUCK-A-BAG sidewalk sale on Saturday November 18 from 12:00 to 4:30 pm. Books that will include fiction, non-fiction and many children's books.

The bookstore always needs and welcomes volunteers. If you are interested, please phone Dorothy Redwood, Bookstore Manager at 489-9144.

Betty Steinwinter

#### DANA POINT COASTAL ARTS

First Friday Art Reception Friday, November 3 – 6:00 - 9:00 pm

November artists: Rik Bruning, Richard Clinton, Doug Strole, Gene Buday Dana Point Coastal Arts Plaza 34118 Pacific Coast Highway, Dana Point

#### A Dana Point Christmas Carol

Presented by the Dana Point Theater Company A nautical adaptation of the Dickens classic where Scrooge is a greedy ship's captain and trader. December 11, 12, 13 at the Ocean Institute Tickets: \$10 call 291-5083 for reservations www.dpcoastalarts.org

#### DANA POINT LIGHTHOUSE SOCIETY



Next meeting: November 14, 7:00 pm.
A representative of the Harbour Lights Marketing Organization will speak about the history of Harbour Lights of West Kennebunk, ME
Community House
24642 San Juan Avenue, Dana Point.
Call John Gile at 218-2589 for details or e-mail
danapointlighthouse@cox.net.

#### **ART AFFAIRE**



Sunday, November 5 is the day, and 12:00 pm 'til 4:30 is the time for the annual Art Affaire. This is your opportunity to see, enjoy, (and buy?) the art work produced here in Niguel Shores. You might be surprised to find that the work you most admire was done by one of your neighbors!

Admission is \$1 and includes a glass of wine or a soft drink.

This year for the first time some of the work of our talented children will be on display. Don't miss it!

Doris Adams

#### **NEIGHBORHOOD ADS**

Items for *Seashore News* ads must be submitted by 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.

House For Lease: Ocean view - newly remodeled town home with 3 bedrooms, large family room, new kitchen and baths. Catalina and hillside night views. Call 493-2406.



For Rent: 3 bedroom, 2 bath single family home, remodeled throughout. Large enclosed patio, storage or bonus room over garage. No smoking. Call Janet at 661-0539 or 680-7309.



For Sale: Matching coffee table (54x34x20 inch) and end table (27x27x25 inch) polished wood and detailed border inlay. Excellent condition \$1400 new. Asking \$500 for set. Call Christine 303-8912.



Garage Wanted: One or two car garage wanted for car storage by collector. Minimum in and out required. Lease or monthly. Call Wayne Wright at 497-2878 or 636-1952.

## For



#### Information

#### County Non-emergency Medical Transportation For Seniors

Transportation to doctors' offices, dialysis, lab tests, etc., is available in South County for non-emergency visits. Rides are available between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm, and reservations must be made 24 hours in advance. The cost per trip is just \$2.00. Call (949) 855-9766 to reserve a trip.

Funding for the program is provided through tobacco settlement funds.

#### **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 15th of the month.

Thank you to the many people who called about "Tigger the cat." Sadly, she was never found.

Barbara Howard

We recently received a tree blockage violation letter along with pictures by the person who complained. We are willing to follow the rules, which are not a problem, but object to how the issue was handled. The complaint included two trees in our front yard and a tree in our back yard. The trees in our front yard do need to be cut and we have complied. The picture of the tree in our backyard is NOT even our tree. We suggest the following:

- 1) People are neighborly by talking with their neighbors directly prior to filing a complaint.
- 2) If someone is not responsive, a letter would be in order.
- 3) The complaint is valid rather than taking pictures that are invalid and the committee could check these out prior to a letter being sent.

We recently went to Africa spending time in a country where people live in villages with homes made of mud, straw and cow dung. We were touched by the people being warm, friendly and singing with joy despite having so little materially and communicated together openly and lovingly, even in conflict.

We feel the absence of communication between neighbors in Niguel Shores diminishes the sense of community in an area of material abundance; yet, what about our human spirit? I hope that there is a lesson here which could give us all more joy amidst our beautiful surroundings.

Denise and Michael Gass

## NIGUEL SHORES RECREATIONAL **COMMITTEE**

**2007 CALENDAR** – not final version

DATE:	EVENT:
Sun. January 21	Potluck
Sun. February 18	Potluck
Sun. March 4	Chili Cook Off
Sun. March 18	Potluck
Sun. April 15	Potluck
Sat. May 5	Kentucky Derby
Sun. May 27	BBQ at the Bluffs (Memorial Day)
Wed. July 4	Parade/Pancake Breakfast, BBQ at Bluffs w/ Band
Date TBD	Fundraiser at The Bluffs (Bon Appetite or Luau)
Sun. September 2	Labor Day BBQ at the Bluffs
Sun. October 28	Kids Halloween Party
Sun. November 18	Potluck
Sun. December 2	Holiday Event

#### CAUTIONARY TALES...

A roomful of concerned residents attended the recent presentation by Jan Sener, the Director of Crime Prevention & Community Programs of the Orange County Sheriff's Department. Jan was preceded on the program by Sgt. Jim McLenore who answered many questions about police patrols and police services to our community. He stressed that, because our streets are privately owned, the Sheriff's Department does not regularly patrol in our community. However, he emphasized that we, as residents, are the eyes and ears of his department and must contact the:

#### OC Sheriff's Dispatch at 770-6011

whenever we observe suspicious persons or questionable activities in our area, it is imperative for the police officer to have specific information about these persons or activities. The police officer cannot accuse persons of wrongdoing without serious complaints against them—as he said, you may be sitting on a bench at the Beach Bluff Park and be accused of loitering. How would he know that you are innocent?

Jan Sener, in her part of the program, continued to emphasize the need for us to be diligent in our awareness of what goes on around us. Jan reported that, in her many years of police work, she has not experienced retaliation against persons who notify the police of questionable activities. She said: "Call make an anonymous call. Be a good witness. Give a good description. Don't let the offenders carry on in your neighborhood—don't give them carte blanche to do what they want."

#### Call 770-6011

In an emergency, call 9-1-1 but, Jan Sener and Sgt. McLenore said over and over: Call us! We will respond. Don't sit back and wait for someone else to do it. At the meeting one of our residents received a round of applause because he had "CALLED" when there was a disturbance in his neighborhood! So, be the hero of your neighborhood and CALL.

#### **Neighborhood Watch Group Meeting**

One important suggestion: "Take a Stand Against Crime: Join a Neighborhood Watch." A meeting is being planned to re-establish the Neighborhood Watch Program in Niguel Shores. Nicole Hanson, a Dana Point Crime Prevention staff member, will discuss the organization of Neighborhood Watch groups. Please attend and help get your neighborhood activated. Tuesday, November 14 in the Multi-Purpose Room at 7:00 pm.

## O'Come all ye Niguel Shores Residents



# It's a 40 40 40 Holiday Party!

Sunday, December 3 3:30pm — 5:30pm NSCA Rec Center Parking Lot

Complimentary Coffee, Hot Chocolate and Cookies

## Holiday Carolers

Come and sing with other families and mingle with your neighbors to enjoy holiday spirit.

To spread the joy outside our neighborhood, donations to the local charity, Laura's House, are appreciated.

See other side for details.

### In Orange County, 36% of domestic violence emergency 9-1-1 calls are made by children.

#### - Laura's House

Laura's House is a local non-profit organization that is dedicated to healing lives affected by domestic violence. Today, Laura's House continues to be the only state-approved comprehensive domestic violence agency in south Orange County. It is their goal to provide programs that will prepare their clients and their children to live independent and violence-free lives.

Your family can help give back to our community this holiday by purchasing one or more of the "wish list" items listed below. Please bring your donation, unwrapped, and look for the donation.boxes near the refreshments tables.

#### Womens' Wish List

Clothing - all sizes Robes, pajamas, slippers, socks T-shirts (long and short sleeve) Toiletries (shower gel, face/body lotion, lip balm, etc.) Books

#### Childrens' Wish List

Clothing – newborn to 18 years old Art supplies Educational items, supplies

Socks

If you prefer to donate money, please make checks payable to NSCA. The money donated will be used to purchase additional items and/or gift cards for groceries, books, etc.

Any donation is appreciated and will make a difference in the lives of these 30 women and their children. Fore more information, visit www.laurashouse.org

> "We won't always know whose lives we touched and made better for our having cared. because actions can sometimes have unforeseen ramifications. What's important is that you do care and you do act."

> > -Charlotte Lunsford

# Come see what's new at the 22nd NSCA Art-Affaire

Sunday, Nov.5th

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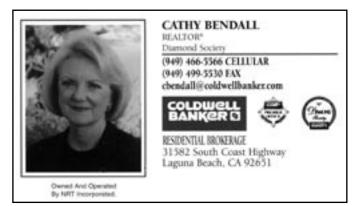
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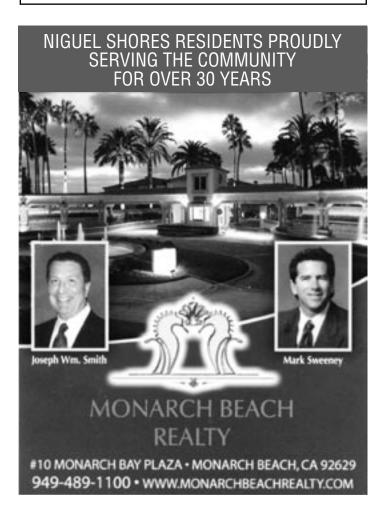
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