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Susan Glover — The Art of Teaching the Arts

BY P.J. CONRADI

Susan Glover was born in Louisiana, but don't listen for a drawl; she moved to San Francisco before she could walk. She lived there and in San Bruno, where she graduated from Capuchino High School in 1964. That put her on the leading edge of the Boomer Generation, which she back loaded into a recreational feat at Sun City Roseville some five decades later.

In her elementary school years, she organized neighborhood kids and produced skits and programs for their parents as well as a Saturday morning "Romper Room", activities which served as a precursor her for considerable involvement in theater arts during her teaching career. Working to put herself through school, she obtained a bachelor's degree in Sociology and English at then San Jose State College in 1970. After four years working as a medical



Susan Glover

PHOTO BY KEN SHAHOIAN

assistant to save for a teaching credential, she obtained that from California State University, San Jose. In 1974, she moved to Auburn and began teaching elementary school in Roseville.

Susan married in 1978 and had a son, James. In 1983, after selling educational toys via home parties, she launched her own company, Susan James Toys, weaving her name with his. She expanded the product line to include nature toys and gifts and opened a store in Auburn, Toy and Nature Gallery. She sold that and opened Play with Nature in the T. J. Maxx Plaza. One result of that venture was receiving the Roseville Area Chamber of Commerce's first ever Entrepreneur of the Year award, in 1995.

The field of teaching again beckoned, so in 1997, Susan sold Play with Nature and returned to elementary school teaching in Roseville. She found herself applying her entrepreneurial and management skills to producing and
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SCR Foundation

A charitable service organization by and for the residents of Sun City Roseville

BY TONI FISHER,
Public Relations Director

Some New Information to Share

Recent months have taught us to deal with things being very quiet in our community and with the Foundation. We can be proud to have followed the directives from professionals on how to live safely. This has helped to keep illnesses to a minimum as we spent our time working at home on a favorite hobby, reading some good books, taking a brisk walk in the cool morning hours and communicating with friends through phone calls or email. Most important, we have worn masks and socially distanced from others when necessary.

As residents know, most of the Foundation's programs have been suspended until our lives reopen. We continue to offer financial support for the Sunshine Services programs of Caregiver Services and Caregiver Relief, neither of which can be postponed. We have incurred some expenses for the Home Maintenance van as it sits idle, yet we regret that we have been unable to provide the annual events that offer everyone much enjoyment. The Speaker Series events scheduled for last spring were cancelled along with our second
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Harmonicoots

BY BUD GARDNER

Beginning in 2004, the Harmonicoots caught on fire. We met every Thursday afternoon to learn new songs. In our first year alone, we Coots blazed a trail, performing 35 community gigs. In 15 years, we have put on 325 shows, including 125 caroling gigs for SCRCA shut-ins and neighborhood groups. Over the years, we performed four times at the SPAH (Society for the Preservation and Advancement of Harmonica) annual Convention. In 2009, we hosted the SPAH Convention in Sacramento. We have also staged 13 Jamborees, twelve of which are up on YouTube. Go to Harmonicoots, click on Jamboree, and choose the year of any show you want to watch.

When the Coots' band reached 60 members, both men and women, Tom Stryker, former president of SPAH, said "The Coots are the largest working, premier harmonica band in America." In the 2018 summer, SPAH's international magazine, Harmonica Happenings, published an article titled "The Legend of the Harmonicoots," written by Coots' Secretary, Jennifer Martin.

As the years passed, membership dwindled, so last year Head Coot Bud Gardner taught two harmonica classes, resulting in 16 new Coots' members. The newest Coot is Nancy Laubenheimer, an accomplished clarinetist who played in marching and concert bands throughout high school in Chicago. After retiring to Grass Valley, CA, in 2004, she played with the Nevada County Concert



Nancy Laubenheimer

Band for 10 years.

Nancy says, "I loved playing big band music like John Williams' movie scores. I loved the feeling of working together to make beautiful music. When I moved to Sun City in February 2020, I was impressed by the Harmonicoots and decided to learn the harmonica. I'm having fun with the Harmonicoots on Zoom and look forward to someday playing together."
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SCR BOD Election Afterthoughts

BY MARY ANN CHITTICK

No, these afterthoughts are not about the candidates; No, not about the pandemic either; but Yes, this is about you and me, the voters of Sun City Roseville, and how we submit our ballot return materials.

For the first time in the 17 years in which statistics have been recorded, we had the most invalid ballots ever—126. The least number of invalid envelopes in that same period was 16 when we voted on the resolution to switch from two-year terms to a three-year term for Board members. Of those 126, 119 were declared invalid because some of us did not provide either a signature or an address or both on the white return envelope.

So, what could be the reason for that? The Elections Committee reviewed the instructions and confirmed that they were clearly presented to voters in three different ways:

1. The return address portion was listed the same way as last year—Printed Name, Signature, and Sun City Roseville Address that pertains to this property;

2. A Voting Instruction page was included with the cover letter with both Guidelines and Submitting the Completed Ballot sections; and

3. A reminder at the bottom of the ballot itself that said, “See Submitting Your Ballot on the Voting Instruction Page.”

Why is it so important that this information be provided by the voter? According to the Davis-Stirling Common Interest Development Act, a part of the California Civil Code, (5115) all of this information is required in order for the ballot to be validated and counted. This is not an unusual requirement. If you think about your ballot for local, state, and national elections, we are asked to provide the same information.

The intention of this article is that it serve as a reminder for all of us to pay close attention to every piece that is included in the balloting materials sent. The Committee's wish is that all ballots submitted will count toward the final vote.

Citizens Patrol/Neighborhood Watch The Bank Examiner Scam

BY P. J. CONRADI

I am banking (pun intended) on the fact that most of my readers are old enough to remember the bank examiner scam. Some flim flam man would phone you at home, identify himself as a bank examiner, cleverly con you into confirming where you bank, and explain that:

- he works for your bank, or for a state or federal law enforcement agency
- money is missing, and a teller has been identified as the probable thief
- in order to catch this employee in the act, he needs someone to withdraw a large sum of money—several thousand—using only that teller—so they could watch the teller's actions
- you have been identified as trustworthy and one who can keep this secret
- he will meet you after the withdrawal, show you his credentials, get the money from

you, give you a receipt, and record the serial numbers of the bills

- he will then go back to the same teller and deposit the money into a different account
- this plan is intended to enable him to trace the money later found in the teller's pocket or personal account
- you will then be reimbursed, and likely be given a reward

This ploy played well before the digital age, and relied on your willingness to help catch a thief, the intrigue, and your hope for the reward. The flim flammers have adapted. The ruse is essentially the same, just contemporary.

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My Story

To understand someone, it helps to know about their heritage. My story begins with my grandmother. I was blessed growing up with my grandmother in my life as she was a big part of our family. She was born and lived in Budapest, Hungary. She had two children, my mother and her brother. When WWII made its way to their homeland, grandma worked in the underground to help others escape the horrors of the war. She survived, but her husband did not, so I never met my biological grandfather. When their country was being invaded, they were forced to leave, which led them to what was called a displacement camp in Austria. There, they would spend four years of their lives. Grandma would work the food lines so she could smuggle extra bread back to her children and others in need. Unfortunately, there were many horrors at the camp as they were in the middle of the Holocaust, which they witnessed. When the war finally ended, my mother and grandmother were given the option to relocate and they chose to come to America. To be continued...

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Roseville's Future Housing Blueprint Needs Your Input

The City is starting to update the housing blueprint for the City, known as the Housing Element. The Housing Element considers the City's needs for housing access, inventory, affordability, and quality. It is a critical part of the City's efforts to preserve, improve, and develop housing accessible to everyone in our community.

While some of the City's housing goals are likely to remain the same, such as enabling the construction of high-quality housing, improving the existing housing stock, and providing new affordable housing opportunities, the City wants to make sure the update enhances the quality of life for all residents and provides opportunities for sustainable and affordable housing.

Your input and participation is key to the success of this process. Learn more, provide your comments and sign up for updates at Roseville.ca.us/Housing_Element_Update

The City will need to plan for approximately 12,066 new housing units for all income groups during the 8-year life of the Housing Element, from 2021–2029. This target is based on a regional allocation by the state, and then to member jurisdictions by the Sacramento Area Council of Governments. The total housing goal represents the addition of 1,508 housing units every year.

While the City already has land use capacity to meet the goal for market-rate housing, the City does not have the capacity to meet the goal for lower income housing.



The lower income target is 6,178 units, which makes up more than half of our overall target. Meeting the goal for lower income housing will be especially important and challenging.

In the coming months, the City will be reaching out to residents and stakeholders through social media, workshops, and other outreach events to receive feedback on how best to meet our required housing targets and shape the vision for housing in the City.

After conducting this outreach, City planners will complete a first draft of the Housing Element and release it for public review. Ultimately, the updated Housing Element will be submitted to City Council for adoption and to the California Department of Housing and Community Development for approval.

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From City of Roseville

How the City of Roseville is Supporting Businesses During COVID-19

BY JOHN B. ALLARD II - Roseville Mayor

The City of Roseville has been working to improve the local economic environment during this time of unprecedented disruption. Here are some of the ways we're partnering with the business community.



John B. Allard III

\$1 million in small business loans — Early in the pandemic, the Roseville Small Business Stabilization Program provided \$1 million in zero-interest secured loans to 111 small businesses. Loans gave organizations much-needed help with the economic impacts of COVID-19 and saved an estimated 1,092 jobs.

Personal Protective Equipment — In partnership with the Roseville Area Chamber of Commerce, personal protective equipment was provided to businesses and nonprofits in the city. This included 60,000 free masks and 400 gallons of hand sanitizer during a time when these critical items were hard to locate and purchase.

Expansion of outdoor dining — If you've been to Downtown Roseville recently, you'll notice new decking has been installed along Vernon Street providing larger outdoor dining areas for restaurants.

To support local restaurants and help

safely increase occupancy, the City of Roseville made changes in zoning regulations in May to permit restaurants to temporarily add or expand outdoor dining. This opportunity remains available to restaurants throughout the city. Visit roseville.ca.us/BusinessHelp to find out how your business can participate.

Reopen Energy Smart — Your community-owned utility, Roseville Electric, has rebates available to help small to medium sized business reopen. Receive assistance with lighting upgrades, HVAC tune-ups, smart thermostats, and food service rebates. Roseville Electric can assist you by navigating available resources, and finding an option that works for your business. Visit roseville.ca.us/EnergySmart.

Family Meal Roseville — More than 16,000 meals prepared by local restaurants were delivered to nearly over 1,000 households experiencing food insecurity during the six-week period of the initial shutdown.

The City partnered with Health Education Council to create Family Meal Roseville, with the City of Roseville's Citizen's Benefit Fund providing initial funding of \$50,000. Many

local organizations and residents sponsored the program, and more than 100 city staff volunteered to distribute food at school sites and affordable-housing communities for families and seniors.

Six restaurants, including all restaurants that applied, were part of the program that served 16,000 meals over the six-week period of the program

Homelessness prevention — The City released \$500,000 of additional funds for homelessness prevention and rapid rehousing to augment the \$6.4 million in federal and state funding already directed annually to issues involving homelessness. These funds provide much-needed rental and utility payment assistance and funding to avoid evictions.

Help with utility bills — Roseville Electric offers a rate-assistance program, providing a 15% discount on electric service for residents meeting certain income criteria.

In addition, Roseville Electric's Residential Relief Program offers short-term assistance to support residents who may be struggling financially as a result of COVID-19. Qualifying customers will receive a one-time credit on their electric bill.

We Are Roseville — Many businesses have downloaded and displayed the We Are Roseville signs from our website to demonstrate our city's strength, resilience and caring. We are proud to see our community pulling together. And appreciate how our businesses have adapted to the changes required to protect our community's health and keep our businesses open.



#WeAreRoseville

Visit roseville.ca.us/WeAreRoseville to download signs for your business.

Help for your business — Connect with the City of Roseville's economic development team to discuss ways we can support you. You can also find more business resources by visiting roseville.ca.us/BusinessHelp. Be sure to subscribe to our newsletter and be alerted to incentives, financial assistance, available sites for lease or purchase, and other important business news.



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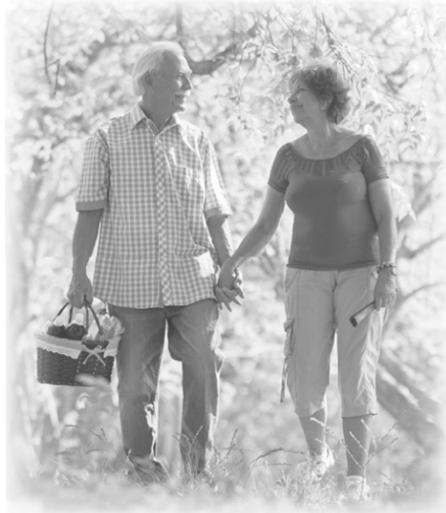
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Music and Laughter

BY JANE BOHN

Here's hoping we get to see your smiles Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm September 9 for our Music and Laughter show. There will no doubt be instructions and restrictions as to use of our Sierra Pines Lodge, but I'm hoping after a six months wait, we will soon be granted that use. Let's all stay positive and stay safe, as we anticipate a slow resuming of all our activities. I realize its been rough going for many of us in this active lifestyle community as we await an opportunity to utilize the many amenities we all pay for. I understand the frustration I'm hearing from many of our friends. On a more pleasant note, I'm happy to hear that many of you talented regulars are practicing your instruments and vocals in anticipation of our next show. I'm sure you've heard it said many times, but I will close with acknowledging that we will all get through this together. Meanwhile, try to incorporate some much needed music and laughter in your everyday life.

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Dance Club

BY SHELLY WINTERS

As we continue working our way through this pandemic, we must try to stay safe and healthy. Exercise is a way for us to keep our bodies strong. As well as eating properly and getting enough sleep, exercise also plays an

important role.

Dance is a great form of exercise and has many health benefits. As we grow older, we experience a dramatic decline in our mental and physical fitness. Older people who routinely partake in regular exercise will experience an anti-aging effect on the brain. Dance is particularly effective due to the challenge of learning new steps and routines. Dancing also plays a key role in being able to keep one's balance and an overall feeling of well-being.

Physical activity is one of the lifestyle factors that can contribute to living an independent and healthy life. Dancing is a powerful tool to set new challenges for body and mind health especially in older age. Dancing is not only fun, it is a great social activity as well.

Dance club dues are only \$12 per year. When we return to our regular activities, we will be offering many classes in different styles of dance. I'm sure there is something for you.

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Executive Director Comments

2020 SCRCA Annual Meeting of the Membership Comments

BY EARL WIKLUND

Here are a few interesting facts from this year's Executive Director comments for the August 6th SCRCA Annual Meeting of the Membership:

"Each year we look at the changing demographics of the Community. This year I am posting these statistics for the current year and the previous 14 years for your review.

In summary, we now total 5138 residents, our average age increased by eight months to 74, the youngest resident is 44 and the oldest is 99; both male. Approximately 28% of our residents are 80 and over with 133 residents 90 and above. However, female residents total 57% with males at 43%; although the males gain by 1% this past year. Those residents moving out of the Community this past year are approximately 12 years older than those moving into the Community. The real estate market shows relative strength despite the virus but below the historical average with the number of rentals remaining at approximately 10%. Take a second to go to the resident website to review the changes over the last 15 years.

Overview of Preliminary Financial Results for the Year: 2019-20 —

The Covid 19 Pandemic resulted in the closure of our facilities and operations (other than essential duties) on March 16th and significantly impacted the Association's

business revenues and cashflow. In the three and ½ months leading up to our year end on June 30th, our business revenues were negatively impacted by \$1.3 million. Because of the actions taken by the Board and Staff to lower expenses to match declining revenue, we were still able to close the year \$221,000 better than budget. Until our business entities are once again fully operational, we will continue to operate within the annual assessments we receive from our residents which have become even more important to maintaining the Community's infrastructure and our financial future.

Our preliminary financials will be posted on the resident website along with my comments from today. In their review, you will note that with significantly lower revenues the Association ended the year with a positive variance. In addition, the fiscal year ended with our Operating Fund balance at approximately \$2.2 million including our Operating Emergency Fund of approximately \$400k, our CAIA account at \$1.4 million and an Unallocated Balance of \$300k. Our cash and financial position remain remarkably strong as we move forward into new year. As a reminder, the Association has no debt and has Total Assets equaling approximately \$46 million.

Staff is recommending to the Board that the unallocated surplus or approximately \$300k in the Operating Fund as of June 30th, remain in the Fund until the current pandemic resolves itself and the Association is back to full operations.

In addition, the Reserve Fund as of June 30, 2020 totaled approximately \$9.9 million in Cash and Cash Equivalents. The Reserve Fund is used to accumulate financial resources designated for future major repairs, maintenance and replacements of our assets and is mandated by the Davis Stirling Act; a California State law. The Reserve Fund continues to be funded at approximately 100% for all assets valued at \$5,000 or more over the next thirty years.

Projects for next year —

The following projects will be a top priority with the Board and staff for the new year:

When allowed by State and County health directives, take the necessary steps to reopen our facilities, amenities, club and group activities while assisting furloughed employees back into our daily operations

Focus on reviving the financial successes of our golf, food and beverage, Fitness and Activities event operations

Strive for a breakeven year financially in the 2020 - 21 fiscal year even with drastically reduced business revenues

Begin Implementation of SPI - Phase A priorities of the Strategic Planning Workgroup Plan which is the development of construction drawings and funding plans for the enhancement and enlargement of the Creative

Arts and Fine Arts Activities Rooms, Fitness Center Locker Rooms and the relocation of the Citizen Patrol Office, Wall Street Room and Catering Office.

Begin the implementation of the ten-year Master Improvement Plan for the golf courses

Begin the implementation of the ten-year Master Improvement Plan for the Common Area Landscape

Continue the focus on resident Volunteer and Leadership development

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The Board Goals and Objectives for the new fiscal year will be developed and finalized at the Board Retreat on August 20th; and posted on the resident website."

Please take a moment to review my entire comments along with our annual statistical review of the 15 year change of the demographics of our Community. Be safe.

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Fine Arts

BY ELLA BOSSE

The new council reached out to all the members by phone or a note just to let them know we are still here and to check on their well being!

We are all missing our activities as members of the Fine Arts Club: our monthly meetings, our classes, luncheons, watching an art related movie, shows or just painting with our art friends.

As long as we are on hold we can still enjoy art by watching a virtual art show. Here is one you can watch from the comfort of your own home at the Pence Gallery in Davis: <https://youtu.be/CvNWGfhkCAc>

We will send out a link every month to a different virtual event or gallery for you to enjoy.

Another option to enjoy is the Blue Line Gallery in downtown Roseville. If you have never been there before it is well worth a visit. At this time it is open by appointment only and they take groups of no more than 10 people. You can choose to do a self-guided tour or have a docent take you around.

Of course by the time this article goes to press the rules may have changed!

In the meantime you can be creative in many different ways besides painting. How about writing a journal or a memoir? Everyone has a hidden talent and you won't know it till you try. Being creative is good for the soul. But whatever you do please be safe.

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Needle Arts Club

BY CJ KIDD

Quote from Charles Dickens adding our COVID situation. "It is a fair, even handed, noble adjustment of things, that, while there is an infection in this COVID disease and sorrow, there is nothing in the world so irresistibly contagious as Laughter and Good Humor."

Quote from Oprah Winfrey. "Breathe and let go and remind yourself that this very moment is the only moment you know have for sure."

Quote from Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. "Kind Hearts are the Garden. Kind Thoughts are the Roots. Kind Words are the Flowers. Kind Deeds are the Fruits. Take care of your Garden. And Keep out the Weeds. Fill it with Sunshine, Kind Words and Kind Deeds."

There are many appropriate quotes that can be used to help all of us through this COVID Pandemic. The Needle Arts Club Officers are looking forward to providing our club's activities, as I am sure you are looking forward to returning to those activities. But, while we are sequestered in our homes, we can keep our hands and hearts busy with our wonderful hobbies.

I look forward to our first SHOW-AND-TELL Program. I'm sure it will be the longest program we have ever enjoyed. Our members are all so creative, so inspiring, so compassionate, so generous, so patient, so understanding and so much fun. You are a

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Needle Arts Club

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remarkable group of individuals. I look forward to working with all of you.

As your newly elected President, I would like to thank the Past President, Carolyn DeSantis for her guidance and support. She was always there for me as Vice President. Thank You, Carolyn. I look forward to the coming year.

Stay safe and stay healthy.

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Cinema Group

BY BRIAN SUTTON

Sadly, it seems the expectation of gathering together to enjoy the fun movie, "The Princess Bride," cannot be realized as yet. Nevertheless, we hope our members are finding their individual ways of enjoying the wonderful world of film entertainment.

Many of you have taken to streaming movies from various internet services, which offer access to many older and newer movies. Some of you, who still have a working VCR which can play DVDs or Blu-Ray Disks, may have joined a disk rental service like Netflix or have taken advantage of our nearby Riley Library's vast DVD collection by using the Library's current curbside pick-up service.

For the Riley Library pick-up service, you need a library card/user number to put an item on hold in your online account. Then, you are notified by email when your hold is ready to

be picked up, Tuesday-Saturday from 10:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Details about this service are available from the Library's website, which can be accessed from the City of Roseville's website, www.roseville.ca.us, in the "Residents" menu.

We sincerely hope it won't be too much longer before we can get together to enjoy many entertaining movies, like "The Princess Bride."

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Heartland Group

BY RAYANN GOLDA

The Heartland Group meets four times a year usually on the last Saturday of January, April, July, and October. The membership year runs from July to July. We generally provide a catered dinner with an evening of entertainment for a moderate cost. It is an opportunity to get to know your neighbors. At this time Covid-19 has stalled all social activities for us. Watch your online Roseville Sun City web page for updates (<https://www.scses.org/>)

The Heartland Group is open to all Activity Card (previously referred to as Association Membership Card) residents of Sun City. We think you will be comfortable with the group whether you are single or couples. There you have it; a mix of residents who come to have some fun. You won't be disappointed.

Enjoy this weather and take care.

Warmest regards from the Heartland Group Board. Stay safe.

Questions: Joe Flores (President) 580-3787.

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International Social Group

BY CYNTHIA SINDREY

The International Social Group is still alive and kicking even though we haven't been able to have our fun meetings. The Board of Directors were going to meet to plan the September 23rd event, but the activities department advised us that it may not be possible to once again plan an event as they are waiting for the County to give us the go-ahead and we also need to know what restrictions we have to adhere to.

With all that in mind the Board will plan to meet again at the beginning of September to plan for the November meeting which will be on November 4th. (The fourth Wednesday is the eve of Thanksgiving and we don't think we would get a good turn out and the only Wednesday in November that is available is the first Wednesday). Please hope and pray that the style of living we are experiencing now will be better by then for everyone. We still have money in our treasury, some of which is money paid by our members for events that were cancelled.

The International Social Group is a fun group of people from all over the world and our events are purely social with food and entertainment. We usually honor a different country at the meetings and it is a good way to meet and greet people from the different places, and yes, we do also have members that were born in the United States of America which is definitely a part of the universe. We always welcome new members.

November will also be the time for nominations to elect the new board for 2021. Please contact me or Gini if you are interested in serving on the board. The board consists of: President, Co-President, Secretary, Treasurer, along with five board members.

For further information please contact: Cynthia Sindrey, President 916-773-5151 or; Gini Christiansen, Co-President - 916-772-0506.

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Travel Club

BY DAVE LEWIS

Hello Fellow Travelers! With summer almost over and Labor Day fast approaching it is hoped that all have stayed healthy and busy while we wait for the Association to reopen to meetings and events and (subject to national and international restrictions) traveling to interesting destinations. Perhaps September will be the month.

As mentioned in previous articles, Club leaders have continued to work closely with COLLETTE as the impact of COVID has required the cancellation of trips to "the Albuquerque Balloon Festival and Santa Fe" in September and October and "Niagara Falls and New York City" in October. At the time this article was submitted for this issue, the status of the September trip to Croatia was not available. Members were informed when a go/no go decision was announced.

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Travel Club

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Fortunately, many members on the "Niagara Falls and New York City" trip were offered the opportunity to travel next year at no additional change with a deadline of April 2021 to decide if they want to reschedule and travel in 2021 or not. Prior to that date all funds will be fully refundable, including insurance (if they originally selected trip insurance).

Given the uncertainty of travel to all 2021 travel destinations for the foreseeable future, the status of the trips to "Tropical Costa Rica" (January/February) and Spain's Classics & Portugal" (March) are not known. For something to look forward to, we are currently working with COLLETTE to offer a 7-day excursion to experience "Southern Charm" featuring Charleston, Savannah and Jekyll Island in April and 9-days touring some of the nation's best "Painted Canyons" in Colorado and Utah with an overnight stay in Las Vegas.

Happy trails to all who continue to enjoy our own outdoors in our unique and wonderful neighborhood. Stay safe and we hope to see you soon!!

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Roseville Stamp Club

BY TIM MILES

Everything is closed up tight in the Roseville area, although some school districts are starting to teach with different schedules. The Roseville Lodge is still closed, as of the second week in August. Nobody knows when things will start to release but the Lodge closure is dictated by law so we are powerless to do otherwise, according to what we have been told. Obviously, it is better to be safe than sorry. Obviously, any events scheduled for September are cancelled but, if things should start to open up, there will be emails, phone calls, etc to keep you informed.

If you should need any materials for working on your collection, contact Al Capparelli at 916-771- 8288 and he can arranged for you to pick up what you need. Now is a good time to arrange your stamps in good collectible order, given the "at-home" time we all have.

The APS had a virtual stamp show set up on the internet for members to tune into and their articles in the monthly magazine have

really been fun and historically informative.

Anybody who has suddenly found their "old" collection on the shelf in the closet and wonders what to do can phone Al and he will be glad to update you on your album. A few questions and answers will bring you "up to snuff" on the current rough value of the collection.

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Veterans and Patriots Club

BY PAUL REGNIER

It is September in the year of COVID-19 and we, here in Sun City, are still trudging onward against this unseen enemy! So far, we are doing well compared to many in other areas. Masks are becoming fashionable and mostly worn. Our Club is holding onto the belief of a brighter tomorrow. Future speakers are reminding us that they still remain "at the ready" to serve our needs. Our Events coordinator, Barbara, is constantly searching for possible event opening dates. Our President, Mike is answering speaker questions. When oh when will this be "just another remembered time" and maybe only something that was just in our rear view mirror?

I cannot wait for the laughter, joke and storytelling plus tales of battles past along with our plans for a new and brighter future. Fun filled meetings with coffee and those round things leaving us time to thank GOD above for all we have. Your Council members are constantly investigating ways to get back to something similar to the way it was... or if that will be possible.

If you discover that you want to help out a little or a lot, simply contact any of your officers and whisper or holler. We are here for you, our Vets and Pats. God Bless.

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SCR Democrats

BY TONI FISHER

We all know that our suspended activities continue. Most promising, however, is the use of "suspended" to describe our lives. It is a more hopeful term than "shutdown," implying that, at some point, the suspension will end.

During this time, we have been involved in a variety of activities from reading that book we've been meaning to get to; organizing that stack of papers that needed to get filed or

discarded, or; preparing that well-loved family recipe. We even found time to complete our taxes, although it helped that the deadline was extended.

Several activities have been offered to expand our understanding of current politics or provide enjoyment while raising funds for the Central Committee. The Zoom Town Hall with Congresswoman Katie Porter and several evenings of Zoom Bingo! were enjoyed by many. In the near future, watch for additional events that will stretch your mind, offer pure fun or ask for your help.

As we move into the fall and the General Election, we will face challenges like never before. As yard signs become available, we will be emailing members with instructions on how to obtain one.

Until then, there are some things that you may need to do. Since every voter in California will now receive a mail-in ballot, please check that your voter registration is up to date so your ballot will arrive. If anything has changed since the last election, like your name, address or party affiliation, call the Board of Elections at 530-886-5650 to have a registration form, with a postage paid return envelope, sent to you.

Lastly, if you haven't yet completed the Census, go to the website <https://mycensus2020.gov> and complete it or call 844-530-2020 for help. The results will impact our lives for the next decade.

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SC Republican

BY CAROLE VAILLANCOURT

We have not received guidance from our Board of Directors regarding re-opening the lodge, thus, leaving our Group (along with others) in limbo about August meetings. We are going on the assumption that our facilities will not be fully operational in September! Therefore, the September meeting is cancelled. Hopefully we will be able to resume meetings in October.

Remember folks in our age group are very susceptible to this virus please protect yourselves!

We will update you by e-mail if we receive more information.

For more information please call Carole 781-2468.

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Boomers Generation

BY SUZANNE CROWDER

Greetings Boomers and hope you enjoyed the Hot August Nights and are looking forward to cooler weather.

Reminder: to keep informed of all the Boomer exciting news, it is critical to give up-to-date contact information to Dev Corlett; Membership. Recently 22 e-mails were rejected when Kathi Stropkai, President sent out a Boomer E-mail message.

Remember to visit the Boomer website to get current contact information for all the Special Interest Group (SIG) leaders. Currently, the Boomer Generation has nine SIGS: Boomer Golf, Book Clubs, Game Night, Bunco, Dining Out, Movie Club, Wine Club, Progressive Dinner, and Walking Club.

Under these COVID-19 times, the Boomers continue to be creative to be active and remain safe.

The Book Clubs continue to meet monthly and have practiced safe and social distancing in their own backyards, wearing masks, and bringing their own drinks.

The Boomer Golf was able to gather together and start playing on August 8, 2020.

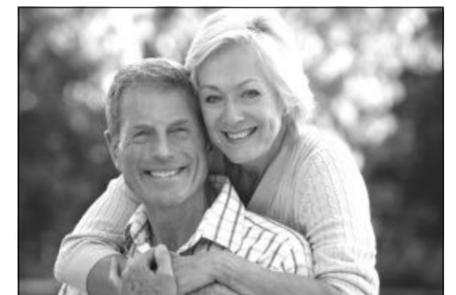
The Walking Club continues to meet at 7:30 a.m. Monday through Friday and walk different trails throughout the neighborhood.

Please watch for e-mails coming from Kathi Stropkai; Boomer President, for future information. Due to current restrictions, it is difficult to predict when they may begin.

Stay safe and stay well.

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Ambassador Committee

BY DANA EGGERTS

September Equinox, day and night will be equal, we say good-bye to summer and hello to fall. Generally, it's a beautiful month visually and weather wise. It's amazing how welcome the little constants are in this crazy, upside down, very weird, year.

Most regular Ambassador activities have been put on hold due to the ongoing pandemic. Sadly, this includes our New Resident Welcome Receptions. It was important to the



Ambassador's Linda Aug and Sherry Hilger

Ambassadors to find a way to make new residents feel welcome while maintaining social distance, in an outdoor environment. In August, in conjunction with Courier Days, we presented "Welcome" bags to new residents. It was wonderful to meet and greet our new neighbors. We all look forward to experiencing all lovely activities Sun City has to offer. If

you're new to Sun City Roseville and were not contacted to pick up your welcome bag, we've got you covered, and you'll be included in our next New Resident Welcome. I do hope it will be a reception, but most likely we will be doing "Welcome" bags for our next welcome event. Stay well friends.

Compliance Committee

BY SCOTT TITENSOR

A Message to Sun City Roseville Homeowners — *How you can help your Association save money while keeping our community beautiful!*

Your Association's Compliance Committee appreciates the efforts and attention most residents put forth to follow our Governing Document and Design Guidelines. You are helping to keep home values up while keeping operating expenses down. The

Association incurs significant expenses when a property falls out of compliance.

There has never been a more important time to pitch in and keep expenditures down, as we all know, the current COVID-19 Pandemic has severely impacted our Association revenue streams.

Here are some things you can do:

- Please follow our parking guidelines (page A-29 of the Governing Documents, Section 8.13, Vehicle and Parking Restrictions).
- Make sure your trash containers are stored out of sight, (page A-29 of the Governing Documents, Section 8.07, Trash Containers and Collection).
- Maintain your landscaping in a neat and attractive manner (page A-25 of the Governing Documents, Section 7.02, Owner Maintenance Responsibilities and page 38 of the Design Guidelines, Section 3.03), Please remember, new landscape installations or modifications require ARC approval (page 19, Design Guidelines, Section 2.03 d-f).

Until restrictions are lifted, your Compliance Committee will continue as best we can to maintain basic services. Each of us on the Committee is looking forward to being able to meet again and resume all of our important responsibilities.

Please, let's work together to keep Sun City Roseville beautiful while keeping expenses down.

Your neighbors and the entire community will appreciate your efforts. You will also save the Association money. Remember, we are the Association!

Specific questions may be directed to Ryan O'Connell, Assistant Director of Community Standards at 916-774-3863 or ryano@scrca.org.

Website Workgroup

BY CHARLYN ROSS

As I need to submit this article a month before it is to be published, I cannot project whether we will be released from the stay-at-home order by this September Courier issue. And, as my crystal ball is a little cloudy these days, I will have to focus on the restrictions we are enduring at the beginning of August.

During these past months of restricted activity, we have had to rely quite heavily on our internet connected devices to keep abreast of news. That would include being updated on Sun City Roseville's news, family news, and maybe even local and world news.

For many of us this has become a "home schooling" situation, as we have had to expand our knowledge of using these devices, learning what we can do, and how to overcome small problems. We have had to become familiar with teleconferencing and videoconferencing. All the technological advancements that we projected for the future, were put into effect now. Suddenly, the Sun City Roseville Resident Website, www.scrca.org, became an important amenity for our community.

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Website Workgroup

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The Resident Website's Home page has kept us informed on CoVid-19 updates and community activities, such as the past Board Election, Annual Board meeting, the status of our Golf Courses and Restaurant, and other meetings that the residents could attend via telephone or video. The Announcement Area on the Resident Website's home page is continually updated to provide the details that permit us to participate in Association activities. In addition, important information posted to the Resident Website, is being distributed to the members via eBlasts (Association emails).

Our stay-at-home situation has propelled us into a new era of communication, and our Association is working to use it to the best advantage for our community. Resident input is needed to reach that goal by,

- Providing a valid email address to the Association to receive important eBlast notices.
- Regularly accessing the Resident Website, www.scrs.org, to keep up-to-date about the community.
- If needed, obtaining assistance in getting Association emails or accessing the Resident Website by contacting staff via an email to julianns@scrca.org, or by using the "Contact" feature on the Website to submit a "Contact Us" form.
- Taking advantage of the ability to submit questions to be answered during

meetings, or by providing input or concerns to staff via emails.

Although these past months have been difficult on all our lives, we need to appreciate the fact that the Association considers the safety and welfare of the residents to be its top priority.

Let's look at it this way...It may seem that the light has gone out at the end of the tunnel, but it could just be that the tunnel has gotten longer, so it may be hard for us to see the light, which is a little further ahead.

Sunshine Services "We're Here to Help"

BY PAT TEILH

Medical Equipment Loan Program: I would like to thank Sue Sequeira for her years of heading up the Medical Equipment Loan program here at Sun City Roseville. Many, many residents have taken advantage of this well run program. Sue, we will miss you but wish you the best of luck in your next adventure.

Welcome to our new Co-Directors of the Medical Equipment Loan Program for the Sunshine Services group. Amy Cho and Rebecca Hellman will be co-chairing this most important position. Right now, during the COVID crisis, the Loan Program is closed but we do anticipate an opening within the next few months. If you have an emergency

situation, contact Rebecca 916-834-3241, Amy 510-823-4328 or Pat 916-521-9729 and we will accommodate your equipment needs for three months. After three months, you must return the equipment. There is also a fabulous crew of monitors and cleaners already in place for this Medical Equipment Loan Program and for this I am appreciative.

Care-Giver Relief Program: Another excellent and worthwhile program as part of the Sunshine Services is The Caregiver Relief and Individual Care Programs. Heading up these programs for SCR is Linda Cilenti.

You are able to receive four hours of weekly relief for up to 40 hours per year for two years if you are a 24/7 caregiver of a spouse or loved one. There is a co-pay for this service. Simply call Linda Cilenti 916-886-2717 and she will assist you in filling out a request form.

With the Individual Care Program you will receive four hours a day of care for up to 40 hours in a single year if no one else in the household is available to help you after surgery or other medical procedures. There is also a co-pay required. For this service call Linda Cilenti 916-886-2717.

My special thanks goes out to the Sunshine Council members who are a valuable part of the Sunshine Services Group. They give their time to this much needed program in order to help the Sun City Roseville residents.

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Singles Club

BY DAWN BECK

Singles Club has been blessed with a great variety of talented, hard-working and caring members.

Bobbie Cassidy-Riker was one of the organizers in the late 1990's. She joined when the members met in their garages and became membership chair for many years. She also started the Saturday Night Socials and was very successful because she liked getting people together.

John Pennington and Bertha Thompson both joined in 1999. He became President and Bertha was his Vice-president. John kept the office for two years, took a year off, and was President again. He helped with the Saturday Night Socials for years and also started the newsletter which is the chief method of information for the club. E-mail wasn't popular then, so it had to be hand delivered throughout the community. Now almost everyone has e-mail and they still look forward to that information sheet.

Bertha became President, then Treasurer and has served on the council for over eight years. She started a Singles on the Go group and arranged for bus and train tours. She took groups to the Pasadena Rose Parade for eight years until it became too expensive. She also chaired the Christmas Party for three years.

Another active member is Bente Frydendahl. She was Secretary for 17 years, helped with the Saturday Night Socials by working in the kitchen and also getting

members to agree to chair the evening. She arranged for breakfasts at the Timbers and had a Sing-Along every Christmas at the Pines. She is still the current President waiting until we can have an election of new officers.

We are fortunate to have many other outstanding members who cooperate with the council and help make Singles the active club that it is. Appreciation of our club and all their efforts is always important.

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SCR Computer Club

BY P.J. COUSINEAU-PALMER

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Please go to the website for Computer Club and fill out your new Membership application. In case you were not aware: in order to belong to any of our Special Interest Groups you must belong to the Computer Club first.

With that said we need someone or several members to step up and help our officers. As of Jul, now September we need a President and a Vice President or two.

We hope you are staying safe and we hope to see all of you soon.

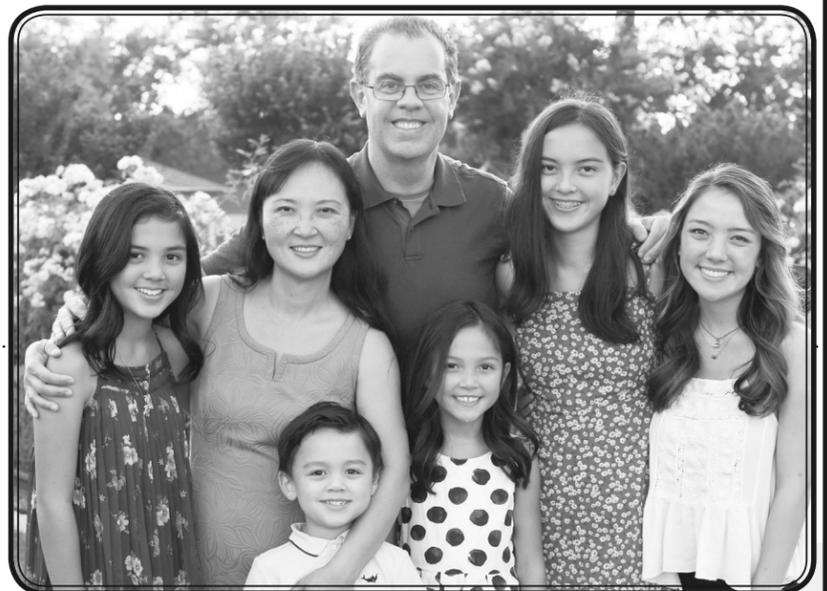
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Birders

BY JANET MORELLI

SCR Birders are an optimistic, and flexible, group - in the middle of a pandemic shutdown they have created a new schedule of field trips for the 2020-2021 birding season. This new schedule is available on the Birders' web site (www.scores.org). The season will start on Thursday, September 16, with a visit to Veterans Park Trail (west) in Roseville, continue with 2-3 trips per month, and conclude with a trip to another Roseville trail, Miners Ravine, on May 20, 2021. Due to the uncertainties associated with rules concerning group activities during the pandemic, changes to the schedule should be expected. Emails are generally sent a week before each trip to individuals on the email list to remind them of the trip and any changes to the destination, time, or other details. To receive these emails, contact Janet Morelli at jmorelli@surewest.com. For more information regarding these trips, contact Janet Zeitman at jaz79@comcast.net.

Birders will meet in the lobby of the Timbers at 7:15am for Veterans Park bird watching. Expect to walk 1-2 miles and to be back to the Lodge in approximately 3 hours. Bring a pair of binoculars or a good camera to see the birds up close.

A trip to the Woodland Water Treatment Plant, near Hwy 5, is scheduled for October 1. Birders will walk 1-2 miles around the ponds and can expect to return to SCR in 4 hours. Birders will meet in the Timbers Lodge at

7:15am for this trip. Bring binoculars or camera and money for your car pool driver.

Any SCR resident interested in bird watching is welcome to participate in the scheduled field trips; no experience is necessary. Experienced birders will be there to gladly assist you in locating and identifying the birds.

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SCR Hiking Group

BY DORIS MERCHANT

As you may recall, our June meeting and annual BBQ had to be cancelled. We've rescheduled both for this month if things reopen. As of this writing, it's still too early to

know one way or the other. If we're allowed to go ahead with the meeting/BBQ, you will receive an email stating what to bring.

There is still a small group of faithful hikers who are enjoying the summer hikes. Here are the upcoming hikes for this month:

Sept. 3: Hawkes Peak, rated 4.5 (moderate), 6.5 miles, \$10 carpool ride.

Sept. 10: Mt. Judah, rated 6 (difficult), 6 miles, \$10 carpool ride.

Sept. 17: Lake Valley Reservoir, rated 5.5 (moderate to difficult), 7.25 miles, \$8 carpool ride.

Sept. 24: Penner Lake, rated 4.5 (moderate), 6.5 miles, \$10 carpool ride.

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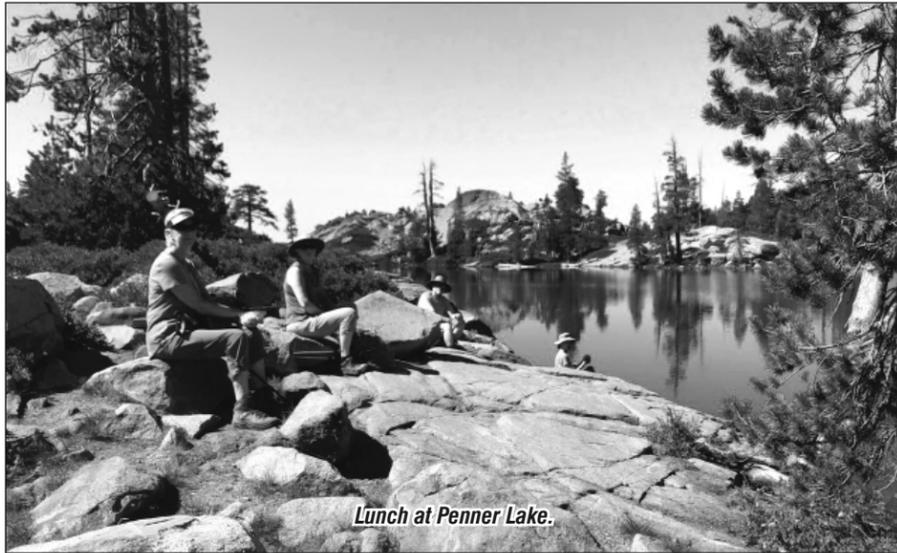
Senior Softball

BY RICHARD EPTING

It's beginning to look like we probably will not be able to use Roseville Ball fields for practice or pickup games this summer. Recent news of the ever-increasing Covid-19 expansion into the San Joaquin Valley has possibly shut the door on our using Roseville's fields. Concurrently, we are learning that the new 60 game Major League season is in jeopardy. Almost every day we read that a player gets the virus and games or even whole series are cancelled. These are young, highly conditioned athletes and maybe we can learn something from them.

Eventually, this will all pass. The sun will shine and the birds will sing and America can go back to being America again. So if you have recently moved into Sun City, Roseville, we would love to talk to you. If you are interested, phone Ken Miller, our President (916-746-0709), and he will gladly tell you all about our league. We have a good group of guys who have a lot of fun trying to be kids again. Give Ken a call. I think you'll like talking to him!

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Sierra Pines Ladies Golf

BY DEBBIE GEORGE

Baby steps and more baby steps. But we are easing back into our routines. August 5 was the first time we were able to play as a club. Yes, we have specific guide lines to follow, but hey wasn't it great. No shot gun starts, but tee times are assigned beginning at 8:00 am. You must use the online signup on our website page. Deadline for signing up is one week prior to play date. Thank you all for being patient while we work through the process.

It has been reported that we have several ladies who improved their handicaps during the month of July. 1st flight – Elizabeth Gustafson; 2nd flight – Theresa Howard; 3rd flight – Lynnnda Dunn; and 4th flight – Dana Eggerts. Awesome playing ladies. You are an inspiration to all of us.

We are still not able to hold our monthly meetings yet. But one can only be hopeful as we approach September. Watch for any announcements made by our Board. Thanks Ladies, and enjoy your rounds of golf.

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Aud Bair, Ellen Thomas and Arlene Strunk golfing on a beautiful morning.



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Timber Creek Women's Golf Club

BY BARBARA MILLS

It was wonderful to return to Wednesday morning play in August! We learned how to sign up on-line with Golf Genius with random pairings and tee times as "shotgun starts" are still on hold.

Congratulations to our Handicapper, Maggie Altnow, who completed certification requirements for the World Handicapping System! She has been a big help to the members in explaining how the new system works.

We happily welcome new member Julie Harris whose Big Sister is Maggie Altnow. Julie and her husband come from Grass Valley where



she is Captain of the Alta Sierra Women's Golf Club until the end of this year. Say "hi" when you see her on the course!

As the summer heat is beginning to wind down, we are looking forward to some great fall golf weather!

It is doubtful we will have a General Meeting on September 16 but do check your email for periodic updates from Captain Vernita Hillwig.

As a reminder, log on to the TCWGC website to view some recent fun photos. Also, there is a lot of useful information on the website so take a look.

Have a great Labor Day holiday!

Timber Creek Men's Golf Club

BY KEN HANSEN

Tuesday morning golf has returned. The council met to develop a plan to allot the 18 tee times we were allowed. So it was agreed that a lottery system would be the easiest and fairest way to develop starter sheets. Members have to access email address tmcgetteetimes@gmail.com to sign up before each month. Then Bob Dunn uses a randomizer to pick 72 names from the field. The top 18 players then can form 4somes from the remainder or allow the council to flesh out the tee time. I urge members to try to enjoy this method as best they can. If it works, I hope the pro shop will expand our access, eventually possibly allowing our normal Tuesdays. Special thanks to Bob Dunn for his hard work while using up

his entire ammunition of profanity.

We've had several holes in ones:

Jay Dameron #16 on 7/21, Steve Spivey #6 on 6/25 and Joey Mastrantonio #4 on 7/28. Great jobs gentlemen.

We are still prevented from having a general meeting. Keep following good habits and practices and we will all weather this storm together. Best wishes.

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The Golden Niners

BY RALPH FRIEND

The Golden Niners were able to start playing golf as a club at Sierra Pines in the beginning of August. There were a number of changes made due to Covid-19. There are no shotgun starts, instead tee times are available for 72 golfers at a time. There is an overflow list if signups go beyond the 72 spaces. These golfers on the overflow list will have priority for the following week. This is a welcome relief as our club has not been able to play together for a very long time!

Next in the series of our "Golden" Niners who are 89+ years young is Ray Blake. Ray is ninety years old, but he is only in his second year as a Golden Niner. Ray has two daughters and one son. He and his wife have loved living in Sun City for twenty-three years. Ray was born and raised in the Sacramento area. He has lived in Fair Oaks, Auburn and Roseville before moving to Sun City. Ray worked for the Bank of America for over thirty years and has held jobs as a dispatcher and he has worked



at the post office. Ray has been playing golf since 1960 and for many years he belonged to the Auburn Valley Country Club.

We are glad that Ray is a member of our club. Come out and meet Ray on the links at Sierra Pines!

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Croquet Club

BY JANE MCNALLY

Advice from our members —

Lee: Stay with your partner. Working together is very important.

Mike: Slow down. Take a few seconds before you take your shot.

Ken: Stalk the ball. Step back and line your mallet up, then step up to hit the ball.

Vicki: Use the line on the mallet head to point at the location where you want your ball to go.

Dorothy: Anticipate your next move before deciding where to hit your ball.

Sally: Think before you strike. This is a game of strategy.

Debbie: Remember the arc around the wicket. This is the area from which you get an angle shot.

Jim: Average players play for hoops, advanced players play for breaks.

Jane: After you determine where the ball is to go, keep your head down.

Jean: Keep your eye on the ball.

Louisa: Consult with your partner before hitting the ball.

Dale: Be on time for your scheduled play.

Bert: There are many croquet shots.

Choose one that will place both your ball, and the other ball, where you want them.

Patrick: While it doesn't present itself very often, when it does, it can be advantageous. Check out being "wired" and when this may be called.

Does this sound like a lot to remember?



Jean Tollis setting up for a take-off shot.

Watch our best players. They do a great job keeping all these suggestions in mind. Beginning players- Come down to the court and watch a game in progress. Check off the strategies you see played. An excellent way to learn. Don't forget to wear a mask. At the present time, only the members who possess their own mallets are playing croquet.

Not only is croquet an enjoyable pastime, you also accomplish a mile and a half to two mile walk as you tread over a soft carpet of grass.

The brown areas on our court were replanted with grass in July. Thank you to our volunteer members who reset the wickets: Ken Coyne, Jean Tollis, Rudy Solarez, Bert Donlon, and Ray Stearns.

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SCR Bridge Club

BY ANN SWAIM

The pandemic continues to be part of our lives here in Sun City Roseville. Will we see the end anytime soon? Many of us fear we won't at least during the year

2020. For the most part it will be the lost year of bridge, but the year we cleaned closets, shopped on line, ate meals on umbrella covered sidewalks and made sure we always carried a mask with us. The pandemic also created some positive happenings. Special friendships were made and families became closer exploring a variety of at home activities. Family visits were special, with those by grandchildren being the real bonus.

We, in the bridge community, are continuing with our home games, some held inside, others in backyards weather permitting. The enclosed picture was provided by our president, Judith Shivley. It is Judith and her three friends playing bridge in her backyard.

Bridge Hint of the Month: Opening bids of one NT is the strategy of a winner! NT bids are most descriptive, obstructive, and constructive. It is OK to open NT with a five-card major. Ideal hands would have three cards in the other major. You can open NT with a balanced hand (5-3-3-2, 4-4-3-2 or 4-3-3-3), although recent



Judith Shivley and her three friends playing bridge in her backyard.

changes by ACBL allow the NT opener to have a singleton A or K. You can also open NT with semi-balanced hands (2-2-4-5) or with a six card minor suit, however, do not open NT with 5-4 in the major suits.

*Strong NT opening bids should show 15-17 HCP, but with no guarantee you have a stopper in all four suits.

Stay well bridge friends!

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Mah Jongg Club

BY CINDY SIMPSON

"The only sure thing about luck is that it will change". By Brete Harte

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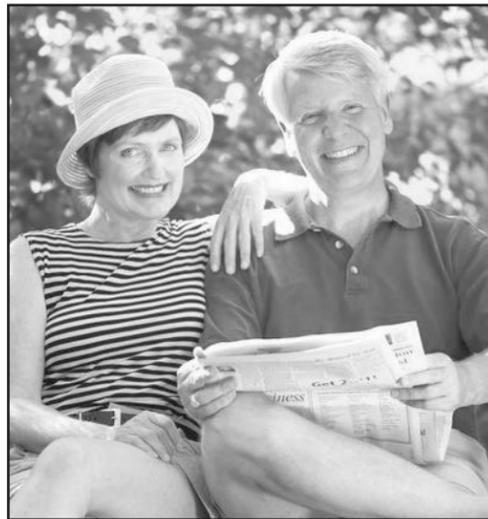
We are on hold right now due to the COVID-19, however, when we start again, we typically play on Mondays from 12:30 pm to 3:30 pm and on Fridays from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm with lunch in the Timbers Restaurant for whoever wants to join us.

At this time, we have canceled our quarterly luncheons and the classes for beginners. Also, we will not be collecting our yearly dues at this time.

All members are requested to wear name badges to assist our newest members to get acquainted with everyone at all Mah Jongg events.

All Mah Jongg play is fragrance-free. Stay well! Stay safe!

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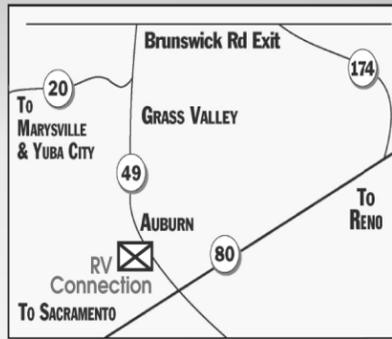
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Susan Glover

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directing school plays at Blue Oaks Elementary School and Chilton Middle School. Susan is proud that, all told, she taught theater arts to well over a thousand kids. The casts were 60 to 100 kids ranging from 3rd to 8th grades and performances were held in the Roseville High School Theater. She received small stipends for these extra duties, and is also quite proud of her success in making the productions pay for themselves through aggressive ticket sales and marketing. Having moved into Sun City Roseville in 2004, she there sold about a hundred tickets to each show. Her efforts gave the programs a combination of longevity and returning patrons.

Susan is prouder still of the work these theater arts endeavors did in the lives of so many of her students. Her programs required the kids to show up at 7:30 am and/or to stay after school and they did that eagerly. One fifth grader, new to the stage, tried out for the lead in Grease. Her performance so amazed the rest of the class that some insisted she must have been lip syncing. That role of Sandy gave her so much self-confidence that she went on to major in opera and will soon study it in Germany. Another student now dances in New York City and another majored in Theater Arts at a major university in Chicago. Another student with autism went from being shy and non-speaking to having speaking roles in plays and gaining both poise and friends. Yet another autistic boy went from merely handing her cue cards to singing a solo of the most difficult song in that show.

She beams as she retells these accomplishments, but her modesty surfaces when she relates how her teaching methods and her dedication to the arts were recognized; she was given the award of Roseville City School District's Teacher of the Year in 2011.



Susan Glover — Circa 1967.



Susan Glover with mom in 2002.



Susan Glover with her son James — Circa 2015.

She deflects that honor to point out that the arts provide critically important components to a well-rounded education. She laments that while dance and music help math, teach cooperation and team work, and build confidence, when school districts need to tighten budgets, it is the arts programs that all too often suffer cuts.

Susan had remained in Auburn when she returned to teaching in Roseville, and after six years of 45-60 minute commutes each way, she attended a social event in the home of friends in Sun City Roseville. The conversations she had with others guests about the SCR lifestyle got her thinking. Rather than head back to Auburn, only to commute back to work the

next morning, she accepted the invitation to stay the night. The seven minute commute to work caught her attention, as well. Her mother, Gladys Woodd, was a gregarious 84 year young bowler and line dancer, so the



Susan Glover at retirement ceremony in 2017.

deals were struck and they moved in in 2004. Gladys passed in 2016, but thoroughly enjoyed the years and friendships at SCR. Susan could only manage "Ballates" and line dancing until she retired in 2011, at which time she joined the Cycling Club and increased the number of hours spent at line dancing and exercise classes. She also served on the Ambassadors Committee for two years.

About that time, she and another resident, Debbie Short, began having discussions about how SCR must be full, was full of baby boomers. They decided to test the waters of getting together with others to share experiences and generally socialize. Twenty residents showed up to the first meeting, fifty to the second, and 120 to the third. The Boomer Generation Club was created with Susan serving three years as its first president. At the end of her terms, the Boomer Generation Club totaled more than 400 members, and currently boasts some 500 members. And, speaking of boomers, 2014, while working on her high school fifty-year reunion, Susan discovered that three classmates, Minell Fredricks, Richard Johnson and Vicki Sauer, were also SCR residents.

Susan spends a fair amount of time working with her son, who did not fall far from the tree of entrepreneurship, education and theater. James became a writer of novels

and plays. Susan worked her magic with a theater company in Auburn and produced one of his novels, Chasing Moonshine, as a play. Those folks provided a script writer and also convinced James to play a part. He thus caught the acting bug and has appeared in many plays. He is currently back in school with a goal of teaching writing at the college level.

In recent years, she went back to the classroom, taking on some substitute teaching duties. She is now decidedly retired. Well, retired in Sun City fashion, anyway. You know, if you want something done, ask a busy person to do it. She just finished serving two years as vice president of the Cycling Group, followed by two years as its president, and will take over as president of the Dance Club this month.

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SSN WRITER...

My Friends

BY JEANIE ROBERTSON
I miss my friends, their friendly smiles which I've not seen in quite awhile. The quarantine has kept inside everybody as if to hide from a virus we can't see. Then every day what concerns me is that my friends who mean so much just seem to be so out of touch.

I know that I can make a call but honestly that isn't all. I miss the joy a warm hug brings and really that is everything. A smile that says, "Well, Howdy do. I too have sure been missing you!"

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Observations on This and That

BY MARTIN GREEN

I'd just finished this column when it suddenly disappeared, so it's floating somewhere out there in cyberspace. I assure readers that it was brilliant, but since it's gone forever, you'll have to put up with what, after nearly throwing my computer out the window, I'm about to write now.

They're Back: I'd thought that one of the few benefits of the pandemic we're going through was that the robocallers and assorted scammers that had bedeviled us had ceased their operations. My conjecture was that, along with all of the other non-essential businesses that had shut down, they'd also been affected by the virus and had decided to lie low, at least for the time being. But now, with the re-opening, at least in part, of the economy, they've resurfaced and are back with a vengeance. We haven't had any scams yet directly related to the virus, like a sure cure or some supplement guaranteed to build up your immune system, but the old ones are here. Recently, we've been warned that our Apple accounts are in trouble, that we've ordered something from Amazon costing thousands of dollars, that our taxes aren't in order, and the IRS is after us, and that somebody is after our social security and we have to call a certain number immediately. All of this is just what we need while being in lockdown and hoping we can evade a bug targeting us old people.

Things Guaranteed to Happen (TGH): Being in lockdown all of this time, with all SCR services suspended and not knowing what outside services are available, it was guaranteed that something in our house would go wrong. (I wonder how many readers have had the same experience?) I've already written about our smoke alarms going off and fortunately discovering that a 911 call will bring help from the fire department. I guess they consider this a kind of emergency for old people who can't climb up on ladders any more.

The latest thing to go wrong was when we discovered a lot of water under our kitchen sink. Fortunately, we found a plumber who was still in business and made house calls. The culprit, he told us, was the garbage disposal, which had developed a leak, apparently something very common, as he had a new one in his truck and installed it. So we're okay until the next appliance breaks down or something else gives way, which is a TGH.

Old Movies and TV shows: As the lockdown goes on, Beverly and I, like a lot of other people I suspect, have been spending more time in front of the TV set. Considering the level of current TV offerings, we've been watching a lot of old movies and TV shows. You'd recognize these movies as being older movies, even though weren't in black and white, by all the men wearing hats, a lot

of the women also wearing hats, everyone smoking (cigarettes didn't give you cancer back in those days), people using clunky telephones that had to be dialed, and no nudity or obscenity. We recently watched "From Here to Eternity," which has a lot of scenes set in an Army barracks, and none of the soldiers actually used swear words, although there was a lot of bad grammar with everyone saying "aint." And the sex, if you remember the famous beach scene with Burt Lancaster and Deborah Kerr, was tame compared with what we have today.

A lot of these old movies now seem kind of hokey, but it's still fun to watch the movie stars of our youth. I got into the habit of Googling them and found that most are no longer with us, even though there they are up on the screen looking as young as ever. I also discovered some interesting things, such as that Burt Lancaster had a near-fatal gallbladder operation, so his experience was even worse than mine. I also found out that Elizabeth Taylor suffered a broken back filming "National Velvet." Taylor had a lot of health problems during her life and became addicted to alcohol and painkillers. And she was married eight times. Who'd have thought when watching her in "National Velvet" that she'd have such a turbulent life?

As for old TV shows, Beverly and I are watching "As Time Goes By" for perhaps the fifth or sixth time and still enjoying it. It's about a man and woman who meet and fall in love during the Korean War, lose contact, meet again 38 years later, and what happens

after that. What's its appeal? Maybe because it's British and we colonials like anything from the Brits on PBS. Maybe because it has a great cast, British, featuring Judy Dench and Geoffery Palmer. (I'm happy to report that both are still around, Dench now about 85 and Palmer about 93.) But I think it's also because, unlike so much of current TV, it doesn't have blatant sex and violence but does have credible, likeable, and quirky characters, humor that comes from character (and not from insults) and leaves you with a good feeling after watching it.

September: I see that this will be the September column so, amazingly, fall is already coming. In the past, fall meant the football season, the World Series, a return to school. We've already had a taste of sports with the NBA season resuming in a bubble and the baseball season starting, with many changes, including no spitting allowed. Unfortunately, our Sacramento Kings, who had a slim chance of making the playoffs for the first time in a century or so, came up short again. As for football, colleges playing seems problematical, but the NFL is preparing for a season. In California, it looks as if most schools will be at home again. We've made it through spring and summer and will somehow make it through fall even without college football. And the Kings still have some good young players, so maybe there's hope for next year.

Now I'm hoping that this column doesn't also disappear.



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Blooming in Roseville—Bartlett Flowers and Gifts

BY RUTH MORSE

Bartlett Flowers and Gifts at 226 Vernon Street in Old Roseville was started over sixteen years ago by Chuck and Diane Bartlett. In 2019, they decided they wanted to retire and move to South Carolina, so they sold the business to Jennifer Steele at the end of 2019. I spoke with Jennifer recently inside the flower shop before it opened to the public. She had been a part-time employee of the Bartletts for four years before becoming the owner. She developed an interest from an early age and came to the florist after many years of experience with plants and flowers. In addition, her innovative ideas and creative applications made her the perfect candidate to take over a popular flower and gift establishment. Keeping many of Chuck's successful business principles and adding her own spin on the store and its mission has allowed her to maintain the business even during these uncertain and difficult times.



Old Roseville on Vernon has an eclectic and interesting mix of shops and Jennifer feels that it is the perfect place for her shop to be located. Everything from Sparrow 5 to Nela's Mexican Restaurant to Monk's Cellar to the Vernon Street Square provides a great environment and she loves interacting with and supporting her fellow shop owners.

Chuck had a unique style that he brought to his downtown store and people loved it. He and his wife, Diane, most recently lived in Sun City Lincoln Hills where Diane was known for her skills at directing live theater as well as her cooking and entertaining talents. She was also a writer and helped her husband in his primary job of managing Bartlett Flowers and Gifts in Roseville. The couple decided to make a life change and moved to South Carolina to be near family. They offered the shop to Jennifer who has continued the traditions and added to them. Some of Jennifer's earliest memories provide the background that contributed to her lifelong love of plants and flowers. Her family runs a nursery in Sacramento, and she helped them growing up. Her brother currently provides plants for her shop and is a grower himself. As she helped out with the nursery as a child, she learned to combine the living plants with

the flowers in arrangements. Growing up and wanting more confidence, she expanded and obtained experience by actually doing events such as quinceañeras, weddings and funerals for free. At that time, her primary source of income was working at the family nursery. She continued her education by becoming a horticulture student and attending floral classes at American River College. There she obtained a certificate of floristry. Eventually, she gained enough confidence to start a job at Lincoln Florist. She calls this job "foundational," since it cemented and enhanced her skills. While at Lincoln Florist, she met a designer, Jan Ross, who became a dear family friend and colleague. Jan worked at Bartlett and told Jennifer to apply for a position there. Jan and Jennifer still work side by side and Jennifer says she couldn't do it without her. Jan and Jennifer's mother, Selia, both help in the store and are always going the extra mile.

She attributes both her faith and family traditions for her current success in the store. One of the quotes handed down to her was one attributed to Henry Ford: "Sell to the masses and live with the classes; sell to the classes and live with the masses." The

meaning of this saying is that an entrepreneur needs to have as broad of a reach as they can and, in so doing, they will be financially successful. Her parents, Randy and Selia, showed her that taking a business risk is worth it. One of her grandfathers, Grandpa Washburn, ran a catering business and restaurant called Bubba's Barbeque. He gave great customer service and believed food that looks good tastes better. Granny Washburn, Rosemary, showed Jennifer what it was like to be a great partner to a driven businessman. It is the same scenario for Jennifer and her very supportive husband, Nick. Nick is the brains as he handles the details behind the scenes. Since Jennifer is the creative one, Nick's contributions are invaluable. Her Hispanic grandmother, Pastor Mela Yrlas, was a very charismatic preacher and taught Jennifer to trust in the Lord so that He could direct her path. Her Grandpa Donato Yrlas has also attributed to her faith foundations. She sees the store as a ministry and prays over it regularly. She says that because we were created in the Creator's image, He has given us the ability to create also and that glorifies Him. She is passing this on to her son, Noah, six years old, who loves to help in the shop by sweeping and designing his own arrangements. He also mimics customer service calls at home. He is being home schooled by Jennifer.

The year 2020 has been one with unique bumps in the road. Jennifer just started managing the store in January. She has elevated the online presence of the store with an online store, Instagram and Facebook. When the businesses needed to close, her employees stayed home for three weeks and she managed the orders by herself, something she definitely does not relish repeating. The need for flowers did not go away so she was super busy. Her employees came back and both Easter and Mother's Day were extremely active. While the store keeps busy, she is sometimes brought to tears by the stories that are shared by the customers calling in to order flowers and the reasons behind their purchases. Luckily, the store is doing well in spite of the current problems.

She has three designers and three others who upkeep the shop and assist the customers.

Jennifer also loves to teach floral classes and was working with the seniors in Sun City Lincoln on a monthly basis. She will be glad to start that up again. She loves to incorporate unusual items in her floral displays. Her stepfather, Javier, taught her about horticulture and still gives her clippings for experimentation.

Jennifer keeps a very upbeat positive attitude which is contagious and a delight to be around. Life experiences happen even when there are overwhelming challenges to daily life in 2020. She feels called to use her gifts to assist others in their times of celebration and difficulty by her job with plants and flowers. The store is open for business by phone and in person.



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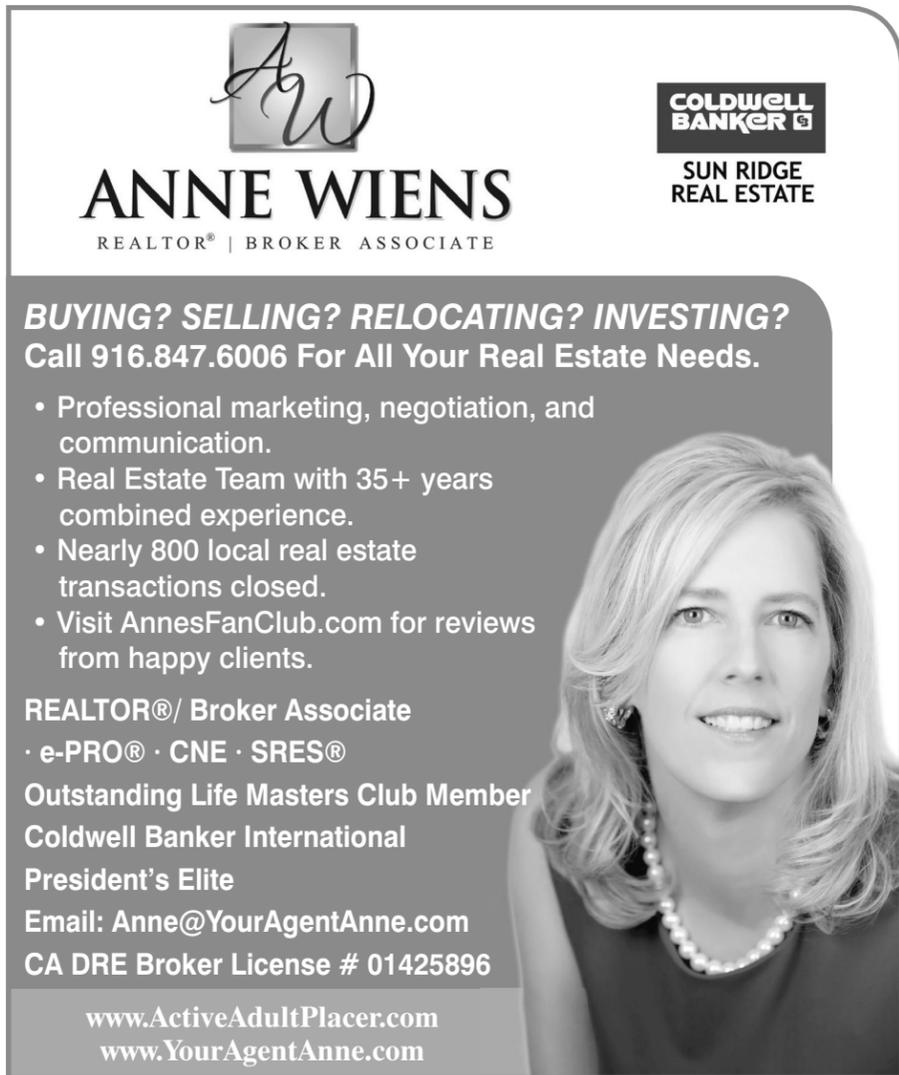
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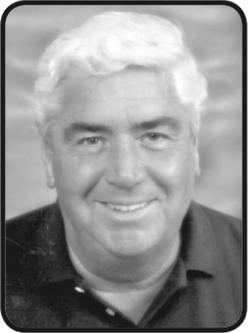
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