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DROGRAM SCHEDULE

Repeat tours ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

Thursday, July 19, 1 pm

Thursday, Aug. 23, 1 pm

- * * 90 minute tour of the Orange County Register (Santa Ana) operation
- * * Maximum participants 10. Car pool or drive separately. MUST make reservations with the Historical Society. Call 206-0150. MEMBERS only.
- * * Meet at the Historical Society at 1 pm to pick up name tags.

TOURS will be resumed in the fall. If you have a suggestion for a one day trip, do let John Bradley know. His committee is very interested in suggestions from the members.

UCI MEDICAL SCHOOL PROGRAMS

The very successful and well-attended UCI Medical School lectures will be resumed in early October. The University was extremely pleased with the excellent response to this series by the Leisure World community and is as anxious as we are to continue this popular series.

On May 30th, several of the Historical Society Board members participated in a special tour of the Irvine Medical School Campus. Attendees were impressed by the staff and facilities and were very heartened by some of the exciting and promising medical research being done at UCI.

PRESIDENTIAL PONTIFICATION......

Summer is supposedly a "less than busy" time for clubs and organizations. Not true for us, as you will discover when you read about the surveys on page 5, the membership efforts on page 3, the WWII project on page 4. And in addition, we are involved in a effort to bring our Globe home. Unwanted by Laguna Hills, and due for an untimely death if not rescued, Globe Committee Chair, Bob Miller is researching possible sites for the globe. He will represent us at the August GRF meeting.

Due to the current renovations in Clubhouses and the tight space schedule, the "Leisure Worlder of the Month" ceremony which normally is held on the first Wednesday of the month, (July 4) was canceled. August event will be on schedule. It seems there is always concern about the guest list. The honored individual sends out invitations to family and friends, but the program is open to all residents.

Please look over the list of Affiliates on page 6. They are our friends in the community and deserve your friendship. In the May Newsletter we noted the return of an old friend, "El Toro Chevron" Not quite right. They are really El Toro Auto Center. But Jim and Peter Boyd are the owners, and they do sell Chevron!

Also, you may be confused by

the listing Moulton Town Centre Travel. That's because their name has been Mouton Plaza Travel, Moulton Travel Town Centre, and Town Centre Travel—but the owner is Kirsten Andersen, and she is a long time supporter. They are in the Town Centre (honest!)

The Associates are LW clubs. If your club is not listed, you might want to correct that! One name change did not get included. The Community Assoc. is now Community Civic Association. Newest Associate is the LW Table Tennis Club with Art Wirtshafter, Pres.

If there are other errors, additions, corrections, please call 206-0150 and give us the information.

I can't say enough about our enthusiastic, highly motivated volunteers. They cover their shifts, fill in for each other. Stuffing envelopes may not be the most exciting task in the world, but it is important. Thanks!

Harry Schwartz, Chair, Speakers Bureau, has been pleased with the number of requests for speakers this last six months. If you need a speaker on a Leisure World or Orange County topic, Harry will be able to find one for you. Just give him adequate notice.

One final note for those of you who expressed concern: The computer and I almost friends!

Eulyn Shapp



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BE A FRIEND- BE A DAL!

Ward Payne, Membership Chairman

Knowing what a wide-awake, active group we have as members of the Historical Society, it may come as a decided surprise to some of you, but there are still a Leisure World friends and neighbors who have

- .. never visited our friendly, new headquarters next to the library;
- .. never found their manor on our awesome diorama;
- ..not been stimulated and educated by the outstanding lectures presented by Medical School faculty, University of California at Irvine;
- ..never (Horrors!) attended a Leisure Worlder of the Month ceremony, honoring outstanding members of the community;
- .. missed participating in one of our fascinating day trips.

YOU can be the instrument to end this deplorable state of affairs by acquainting your friends and neighbors (new ones, especially) with programs and activities of the Society.

As always, thanks for your cooperation and support. If you have any suggestions, or need an application for a friend, just call 206-0150, or call me at home, 837-7198.



The May Newsletter carried a proposal for a registry of World War II veterans living in Leisure World with the possibility of developing a more intensive follow-up. Although we received few written comments, many people did express an interest. "Don't wait any longer.. time is running out!"

The board agreed that we should pursue this project. A committee of Historical Society members and representatives appointed by other major organizations in the community will meet in August to develop an "action" plan. If all goes well, we should be ready to begin before the end of the year.

This program will not be meaningful unless we have the interest and cooperation of our veterans. Tell your veteran friends about the coming project and urge them to participate.

If you have any suggestions to share with the committee, send them to the Historical Society, Attn. VET.

Great Things About Getting Older
(Copied without permission)

Juries are less likely to sentence you to death.

People get out of your way when you drive down the street.

You have all the Christmas decorations you will ever need.

People no longer ask you to help them carry refrigerators & mattresses.

You have more and more chances to meet attractive doctors.

You can watch for the obituaries of people you don't like.

In the news

Ira Joss, Publicity Chair, arranges for interviews on TV6 on the Fourth Wednesday of each month. This year, Archivist Marge Williams, Speakers Bureau Chair Harry Schwartz, and Membership Chair Ward Payne have been featured. UCI Neurologist Dr. Claudia Kawas, and Dr. Richard McCleary have also joined Ira for interviews.

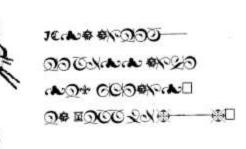
Ira also does the stories for the Leisure World News--except for those stories picked up as "newsy" News! The Globe and efforts to relocate it appeared in our paper and in the Register.

90+ SURVEY

Last year's demographic survey indicated that over Leisure World residents were 90 or older. The Institute for Brain Aging at University of California, Irvine (UCI) is most interested in trying to discover some of the secrets aging" from of "successful this very elite group of residents. Institute Staff, cooperation with Historical Society Survey Committee, prepared a special Survey for this group which was mailed in mid-June.

The survey was mailed to addresses where a 90 year old supposedly lived. In a few cases, persons younger than 90 received a survey and called to inform us of the error. For this, we apologize! Response to this survey has been good, with replies still coming in. Hopefully, this will provide information of interest to many groups.

(Syd Aronson and Ira Joss Co-Chair the Survey committee.)



Translation: Just thinkin less than 6 months, it will be 2002!

DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY

The regular demographic survey of Laguna Woods, modified somewhat from last year's document, will be mailed to a random sample of Laguna Woods residents in July. Results of this study will be eagerly awaited, both to substantiate the data collected last year and to obtain additional information not covered in the first survey.

If you receive one of these documents, please complete and return as quickly as possible. Returns from the last survey exceeded 80%, an absolutely unheard of return. Hopefully, the returns from the current survey will be equally impressive.

THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS:

Labeling, stuffing, sealing—and more of the same! Volunteers have processed nearly 8000 pieces of mail in the past few weeks, as the two surveys, as well as the pre and post letters, were readied for mailing. That's lots of hours—and is most sincerely appreciated by the Survey Committee and by the board.

Guess what? Now comes the folding, labeling, counting and sorting of the Newsletter. Anyone out there want to be added to the "volunteer as needed" roster? Please call!

BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATESour community friends......

Allen Oldsmobile Cadillac-GMC, Inc. 582-0800

Ernie M. Ellsworth, Attorney 768-1491

Leisure World Consignments

770-7226

Alterra Wynwood

PalmTerrace 586-339

Melinda Harris, Broker 837-3870 (Fred Sands Laguna Hills Properties)

Moulton Town Centre Travel

580-0022

Ames, Ralph H. "Skip" III

(Crowell Weedon)

Freedom Village

472-4700

Rossmoor Electric, Inc.

837-2670

Coit Drapery, Carpet, Airducts and

457-6363

Fremont Investment & Loan

Saddleback Memorial

Medical Center

452-7255

Upholstery Cleaners

1-800-367-2648

Hilger Financial

770-1526 (Registered Investment Advisors)

Anouchka Balog CFP

Salomon Smith Barney

206-5003

Doctors Ambulance Service

951-6600

James M. Kahal, DDS

830-0340

Shutter Depot, Inc. Manufacturers of Custom Shutters

770-2779

El Toro Auto Center, Inc (Chevron) 837-3370

837-8900

Karen & Sharon Estate Sales

581-4891

The Wellington

458-2311

(Leisure World Clubs & Organizations) ASSOCIATES

AAUW

Community Concert Assocociation

LW Foundation

One Ten Club

Academians

Concerned Citizens

L.W. Table Tennis Club

Opera 100

ORT

Aero-Space Club

of Leisure World

Life Drawing Workshop

Philharmonic Committee

Aliso Club

DAR

Masonic Auxiliary

American Legion

Doll Club

Mayflower Congregational Church

Reform Temple of LW

Post #257

Ebell

Medical Society

Republican Club

Aquadettes

Gay-Les. Club

Men's Golf Club

Scrabble Club

Audubon Society

Harmonaires

Midwest Club

Sewing Supers

Brandeis University

Heritage Point,

Shrine Club

Natl. Women's Com.

LW Chapter

Mac User's Group MUG

Temple Judea

California Club

Keyboard Concert Club

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TOPS

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Kiwanis

of Jewish Women

New Jersey Club

Cat Club

Womens Classified Service Club

Chinese Club

Korean American Club

Nifty 50/60's Club

College Club

LH Women's Golf Club

Orange County Society for

World On Film Club

Community Association

LW Bowlers Club

Humanistic Judaism

Writers Club

....IN MEMORIAM.... Robert Dozier Frances Sarkisan

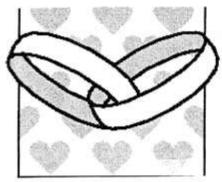
Bob Dozier was elected Society treasurer in 1982. He served in that capacity until 1993, and continued as a board member until 1995. Named Emeritus Director at that time he continued to share his long term knowledge of the Society and the community even after moving to Freedom Village. His death in May, just past his 99th birthday, and the earlier death of first President Tracv Strevey concluded a dynamic era in the history of the Society. On that foundation, we build.

MEMORIAL FUND in memory of Bob Dozier

Eva Wilson Irene & Roberta Puhlmann Bill & Evelyn Shopp

CONCRATULATIONS

MERLIN AND EDNA SANT 75th Wedding Anniversary



In the deep unwritten wisdom of life there are many things to be learned that cannot be taught. We never know them by hearing them spoken but we grow into them by experience and recognize them through understanding. Understanding is a great experience in itself, but it does not come through instruction. ANTHONY HOPE

FDOM THE DAST

(Excerpted from an article by Thelma Lewis, published in the Spring 1981 Journal, Hist.Soc.)

In 1978, LW landscaping was recognized by the Am. Assoc. of Nurserymen as on of the best in the nation for design and construction. 1540 acres were landscaped with about 800 acres covered in sod. There were 55,000 trees, 800,000 shrubs, and 4,000,000 ground cover plants. The largest electronically controlled sprinkler system in the world--250,000 sprinkler heads, 13,000 automatic valves and 800 control clocks.

In 1979, Leisure World was selected as "Professional Landscape of the year" by the Ca. and Irrigation Landscape Council."It embodied the "best elements of design, beauty and construction from the standpoint of aesthetics, environmental improvement, professionalism and craftsmanship."



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