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VILLA PARK WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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Auerbach Home



Mediterranean-Style Villa: The home of Bob and Dana Auerbach has the aura of having been built decades ago, yet the openness of the house and the sophistication of the decor are refreshingly new. The distressed woods and hand cut and chipped stonework archways reflect another era, but fit well into contemporary living. Everywhere you look there is something visually pleasing.

The large foyer has a tile floor and buttery colored walls which set the tone of the house and lead to the kitchen in the rear and the living room to the left. Collectors of the work of Kal Gajoum, the Auerbachs own several of his paintings, one of which is of the Moulin Rouge, which is displayed in this area. A chandelier of shed antlers looks down on the scene.

A stone arch, visible from the entry hall, leads to the kitchen and dining area. Two Kal Gajoum paintings, "New York at Night" and "The Flatiron Building" in New York can be viewed. Chairs of teak and acacia wood surround a randomly shaped long table made of acacia root wood and polished to a high gleam. Kitchen cabinets are of dark distressed wood and compliment the stonework and uniqueness of the area.

A stairway leads up to the master bedroom. An almost hidden harlequin pattern can be observed in the mustard colored walls. A luxurious bed is the center of the simple but eye-catching decor. The spacious and elegant master bath spotlights a gigantic shower.

The living room features a sumptuous putty colored sofa that invites instant relaxation. It focuses on a stone fireplace with a reclaimed wood mantel. The dining area has a table made of reclaimed planks supporting a glistening glass top. Another Kal Gajoum painting of the "Champs Elysees" is displayed in this room.

A wooden door opens to a hallway decorated with photos of musical entertainers past and present. Suddenly, another world comes into view! An amazing collection of sports memorabilia appears. Light taupe Venetian plaster walls and a floor of birch reclaimed wood form a backdrop for autographed baseballs and photos of yesteryear's great players which share the space with mounted wildlife and two seats from Dodger Stadium. Also on display is a baseball card collection, flags from Augusta National Golf Course, a vintage 1922 football uniform and leather helmet, and many other treasures. It seems appropriate that a Fort Knox safe stands guard over it all.

Flores Home



Villa Grandeur: Discretely hidden from the street, the home of Deane and Richard Flores is entered through a decorative wrought iron gate and down a long winding driveway. A welcoming foyer previews the house which is a beautiful combination of contemporary simplicity and old world grandeur.

A wine cellar and tasting room is dimly lit by a flickering chandelier. Its stone walls and wood floor, made from old wine barrels, combine to create a delightful ambience that hints of the good times of yesterday and those yet to come.

The living room opens up with a soaring high paneled ceiling. The rich patina of the geometric wood floor blends with the warm, earthen color palette of crème, tobacco brown, gray, and deep rich Tuscan red. In front of the concrete fireplace, a luxurious leather sofa and chairs sit on a patterned rug of black, gold, gray and tan. One of the several significant paintings is above the fireplace.

A stairway from the entry leads to the second floor bedrooms. A Fabian Perez painting of a flamenco dancer points the way to the master bedroom and sitting room. The sleek black furniture gives a nod to the contemporary style of the house.

The magnificent rich silver gray of the dining room wall covering is a sumptuous and chic backdrop for the glass topped contemporary table and chrome chandelier.

The kitchen, a chef's dream, has dark wood cabinets with crème, black, and gold granite counter tops. The center island is surrounded with contemporary metal chairs with seats of Tuscan red leather. The gleaming mixture of black, silver, and red against the taupe walls, gives the kitchen polish and shine.

The use of expansive curved arches found throughout the house is further displayed in the entrance to the entertainment room. A movie room is just down the hallway from a semi-circular wet bar outfitted with chrome chairs with crème leather seats. Leather chairs and a dark Tuscan red sofa complete the decor.

A whimsical tree house is at one end of the yard. A luxurious outdoor entertaining and play area add a spectacular dimension to this house. The ultimate in California - Tuscan design, it features a tile roofed pavilion outfitted with televisions, a wet bar and wicker, red cushioned chairs that fill this and other areas of the patio. It is a perfect place to relax and inhale the aura of this extraordinary home.

Fowler Home



Fowler Winery: A decorative door of opaque glass, with a distinctive scroll pattern in wrought iron, welcomes guests to the home of Marlene and Mark Fowler. Under a wrought iron chandelier, the travertine tile floor of the entrance hall blends into the scroll designed black carpet on the staircase.

An area rug, in a rich geometric design, anchors the living room. The light taupe and flax colored Venetian plaster walls provide a perfect backdrop for the espresso colored leather sofa and chairs accessorized with dark garnet red pillows and previews the color palette of the rooms ahead. A watercolor print of the third hole at Augusta National Golf Course attests to a love for golf Marlene and Mark share, both of whom have low handicaps.

Crème colored walls of the kitchen flow easily into the dining area and family room. The kitchen cabinets, painted a slightly lighter hue and the garnet red base of the working island provide a stunning contrast. The dining area features a contemporary table with black legs surrounded by black chairs with natural wood seats. A black wrought iron light fixture hangs overhead the stone fireplace serves both family room and dining area. The family room has a garnet red entertainment wall and plush curved seating of brown leather. This entire area is stylish and sophisticated, yet projects a warm and inviting reflection of the family's contempory life style.

On the landing of the back staircase, a delightful surprise awaits. A stunning print of the famous 1938 Life Magazine cover named "FLYING SPINNAKER'S" fills the wall.

The restful and elegant master bedroom has polished wood floors, and features Venetian plaster walls of a soft golden flax color created by Mark. The adjacent sitting room with a fireplace and two wing back chairs invites relaxation.

The swimming pool and patio area feature a wet bar and swimming pool, perfect for family fun and entertaining. An unexpected and delightful feature of this home is the vineyard of cabernet and merlot grapes cascading down the back hill. Now, in its third year, Marlene and Mark will soon have a harvest of grapes to brew and bottle their very own wine.

Herms Home



Glamorous English Tudor Estate: A trimmed boxwood hedge borders the entrance to the home of Bethany and Mike Herms. Through a decorative wrought iron gate, blue double doors open into a glamorous living space. The high ceiling, soothing gray walls, and brilliant white woodwork provide a stage for the many distinctive decorative touches in the room. A baby grand piano creates added drama and provides a dazzling focal point. Bethany's creative eye has transformed many vintage pieces into the special accents in this room and throughout the entire house.

Crisp white woodwork continues into the chic sitting room that serves as Bethany's office. Turquoise chairs around a coffee table form a conversational center to the room that also has her desk and a white accented stone fireplace. The family room, a few steps away, carries out the gracious aura of the living room with decorative wallpaper inserts between the white beams of the ceiling.

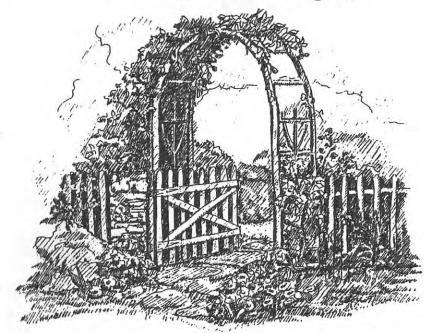
The kitchen, in shades of gray, has sparkling white cabinets and state-of-the-art appliances. A sunny Sitting area by the bay window introduces a pop of yellow to add another dimension to the kitchen. The dark wood table in the dining room is centered under a dramatic black chandelier. The large black-framed antique floor mirror, another of Bethany's updated vintage pieces, brings an unexpected excitement to the room.

A second floor playroom continues the color palette of the house. Adjacent to this room is a Lego Loft and bedroom. The child in everyone will love the chalkboard wall and the array of maps decorating this boy's room.

Three children's rooms and the master suite are off of the entry hall. Decorated with each individual's personality in mind, the girl's room is all femininity and glamour in pink and gray, highlighted by a Victorian chaise lounge. The baby's room has a pirate mural anticipating adventure; and the bunk room has soaring airplanes hanging from the slate blue colored ceiling. The master suite is an extension of the glamorous and sophisticated color palette of the rest of the house. The soft aqua walls are reflected in the mirrored chest of drawers on either side of the bed which is covered with scrumptious bedding. Two white pillars frame the entrance to the luxurious and spacious bathroom and semi-circular closet. The white vintage fireplace and neutral colored marble floors and countertops give a spa like feel to this luxurious bath.

An alcove, beside the bedroom French doors, lead to the newly landscaped back yard and patio filled with all the amenities for an afternoon delight.

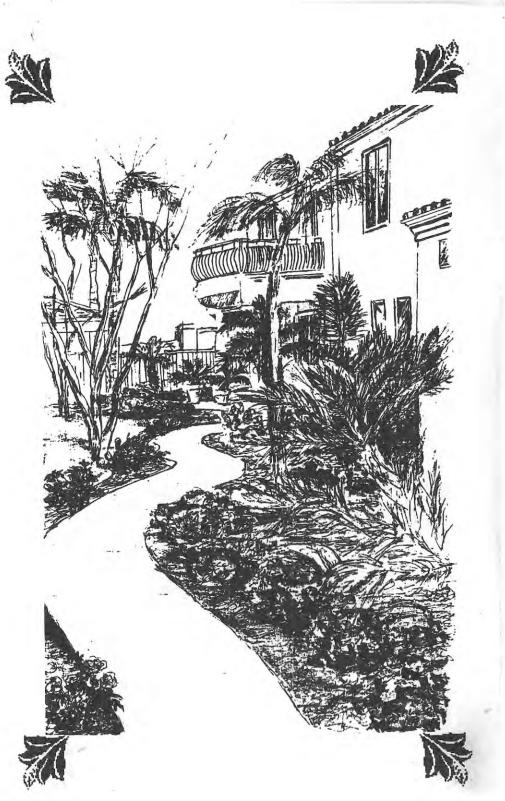
GATEWAY TO THE GARDENS OF VILLA PARK



VILLA PARK WOMEN'S LEAGUE GARDEN TOUR

SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1998

GARDEN TOUR: 11:00 am -5:00 pm ALFRESCO TASTING: 11:00 am - 4:30 pm







SEVEN PALMS ESTATE 19221 Taft Avenue Villa Park

As you enter this magnificent 12,000 sq. ft. home with 7 bedrooms and 11 baths, you realize it is not only an elegant manor but a retreat for the family that has lived here just since October of 1997.

Take note of the massive entry way with it's 20' high ceilings with floral etched glass doors and sky light. This flows directly into the formal but classic living room that is decorated in hues of tawny beige and gray to deep black. Across the room stand two architectural columns that rise high above to frame the picturesque view of the pool and outdoor grounds of this 2 1/2 acre estate.

The east wing of the estate offers a custom-built theatre with an 80" Sony screen for viewing films, television and videos. This room has acoustical sound walls done in deep burgundy, neon lights, framed movie posters of "Coming Attractions," and replicas of the award winning "Oscars" as lights mounted on the walls in a frosted glass statue shape. Note the concession stand complete with a popcorn machine, soda fountain, and candy for show time! When the lights dim the ceiling turns into a magical sky complete with the moon and twinkling stars.

The back yard of the home is graded in two levels. The lower level offers a tennis court, cabana, swimming pool, two full-sized bathrooms with sitting rooms, maid's quarters, and an outdoor kitchen. Palm trees lend a tropical air to the estate and the homeowners' favorite roses line a winding pathway.

The upper level yard has a ground level trampoline, volleyball court, putting green with two sand traps, and a variety of fruit trees.

The Villa Park Women's League offers an art show and sale, musical entertainment, and alfresco tasting at this garden.











MONET'S GARDEN IN VILLA PARK 9463 Henderson Way Villa Park

Welcome to the gardens of Arny and Bobbi Mahler. Both Arny and Bobbi find they are homeowners with a passion for gardening. Bobbi is an Assistant Superintendent with the Centralia School District and Arny, before retirement, was an international private investor. The couple have four children and one grandchild.

Arny and Bobbi designed 99% of the Koi pond and the peaceful fountain. The pond contains over 14 varieties of Koi, and was created to enhance the home exterior as well as the view from the exercise room, master bedroom, living room, and kitchen and dining areas. Near the pond, you'll see two Bonsai tree shrubs where Arny has accomplished the art of dwarfing and shaping an older tree by controlled pruning.

The grounds on all sides have been a labor of love as you hear Arny talk about his plants. He has planted flowers everywhere, including hundreds of ranunculas, tulips, primroses, marigolds, and begonias, just to name a few. "Planting a garden that bursts with color is an achievement; we have turned our garden dream into a reality," say

the Mahlers!!

Hours of labor and love went into the baskets, or "hanging gardens" as Arny calls them, for they can be appreciated by visitors and residents as they come and go, as well as passersby.

Look around the grounds to see such interesting additions as the cranes in the Koi pond, humming bird stations, and Victorian Gazing Balls.

Don't miss the bonsai demonstration, presented by Upland Nursery, from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at this garden.











HILLSIDE GARDEN 9842 Ludwig Street Villa Park

When George and Dianne Lambert first saw the Country French house with stone facing, they knew they were home. When they experienced the sensory delights of the backyard, they grew even more excited. Now they are new residents of Villa Park, along with son J.T. and another son expected momentarily. The entire family appreciates the beautiful surroundings of this quintessential Southern California garden. They even find it relaxing to weed, trim, and plant here.

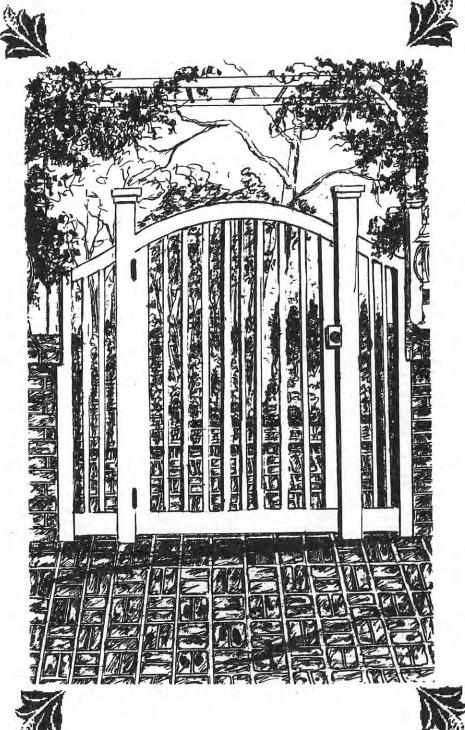
A nature trail meanders through the upper yard, above the pool and spa. Tufts of impatiens and clivia mark the trail, which also wanders past a small play area through a gazebo, under a towering pine, and along the split rail fence lined with cascading geraniums.

The patio area holds large tilted pots of cymbidium orchids as well as many varieties of ferns. Roses line the lower grass area.

Though the majority of the landscaping was intact when the Lambert's purchased this home, they credit T. Scott Lawncare for revitalizing and maintaining the garden.

Refreshments will be served on the covered patio.









COTTAGE GARDEN 9191 Loma Street Villa Park

Picture a charming cottage-style home shielded by tall trees, flowering plants, and creative gateways. No, you are not in the Cotswolds of England or the South of France, you are at the home of Steve and Eileen Yoelin and their three sons.

The entrance is marked by a unique white gate and pergola. To follow the brick pathway, one walks under an arbor of trees and past a profusion of azaleas, camellias, and many colorful annuals. There are many points along the front yard path to stop and enjoy the small enchantments; a low wall framed by purple iris, an inviting gazebo, a covered bench on the front porch, to name a few. The owners say, "Nothing but a garden gives such wonderful visual results with a minor amount of work. It is a true miracle."

The backyard is also entered by an artistic white gate, but beyond we find a different ambiance. A pool, putting green, built-in-barbecue, and playground signify family recreation. The small, manicured herb garden is useful in flavoring family meals.

Still another architectural structure, this time a sliding screen, opens the way to a serene Japanese garden; a place to reflect, a place to enjoy the moment.

Pacific Landscape Management helped design the yard and planted the original shrubs and trees. Utopia Landscaping, owned by Brian Faris, has recently maintained the yard.

Sample chocolate-covered strawberries and a liquid refresher here. Two boutique vendors are located in this garden.













END GARDEN





ENGLISH COUNTRY GARDEN 9251 Rama Street Villa Park

Scott and Sue Hatton have lived in Villa Park for 24 years -- long enough to have their three children grow up there and then leave the nest. That does not mean a lack of activity around the Hatton household, however. On the contrary, Sue and Scott nurture their garden as one would their children, with constant care, feeding, trimming, pruning, manicuring, mulching, etc. Like children, a garden is never completely finished.

Sue has progressed this hobby a step further by taking extensive horticulture classes at Fullerton College and she has impressive notebooks, cataloging and picturing every plant in the yard, to prove it.

The front of the home suggests an English country garden. At curbside, along a white picket fence, is a bed of flowering plants with such specimens as deep purple columbine and rich orange clivia. The focal point of the front yard is the large brick enclosed rose garden. The roses offer old-fashion charm and fragrance as well as a visual delight.

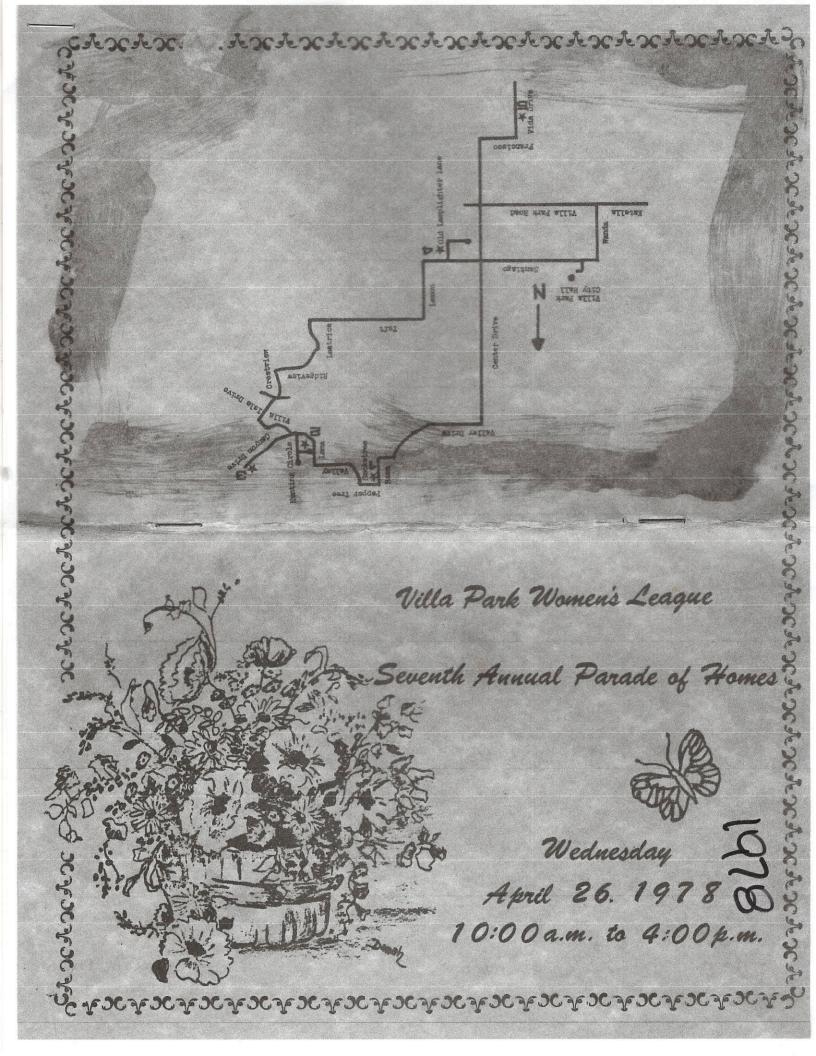
The backyard features an expansive lawn area with numerous flower beds, each unique in its variety of plants and garden accessories. Explore the grounds and you may run into an antique cultivator, a wagon wheel, a vine entwined birdhouse, a weathered wooden wheelbarrow, a stone bird bath, and other enrichments.

This open, airy garden is a showcase for plants, both heirloom and new varieties. One example is the new style of snapdragon that doesn't "snap" but, instead, is an open ruffled-edge posy with a deep throat. Sue started these from seeds and now enjoys the fruits of her labor. This garden reflects the owner's enjoyment of plants not seen in everyone else's yard and a true caring feel of the land.

A garden boutique with several vendors will be presented at this

residence.





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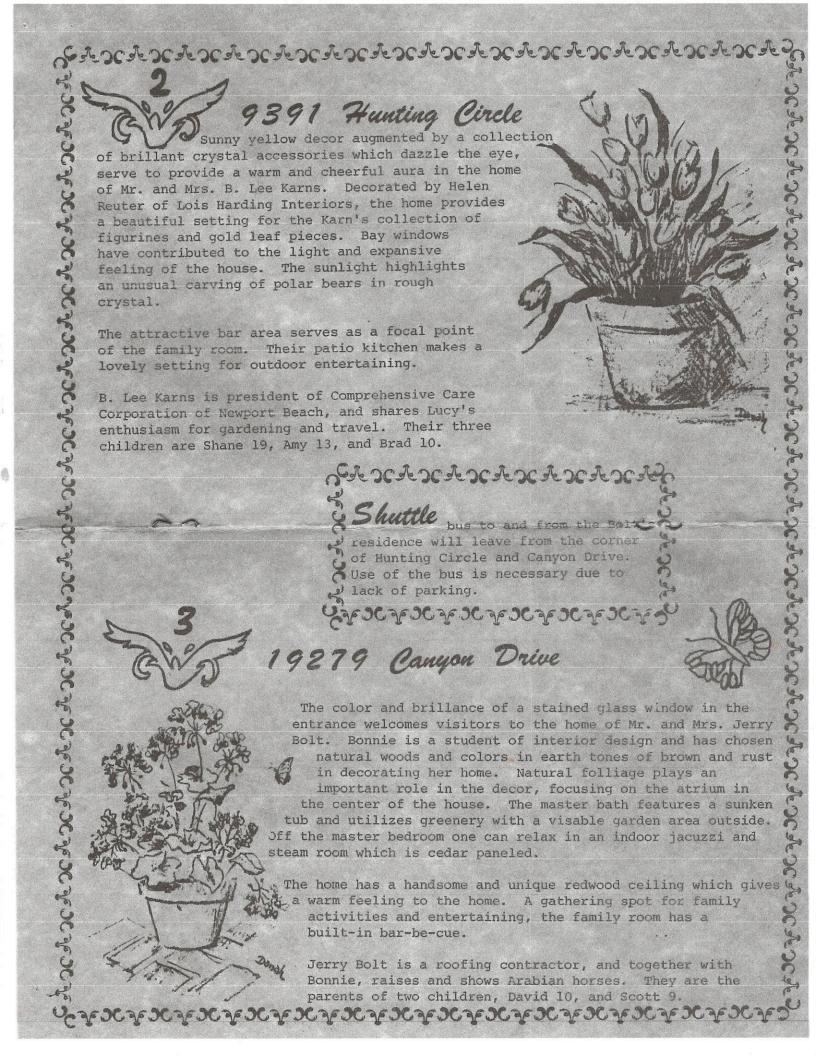
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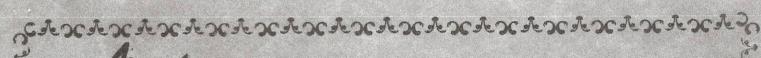
Country French is the style chosen by Ms. Marcia Fieldman for her visually exciting home. In professional life, Marcia, who did her own decorating, manages an advertising agency and is the mother of a five year old son.

Featuring an abundant use of wood paneling and fabric laminated walls, the carved fireplace mantels and lookcases lend authenticity to the pleasing atmosphere.

A space enhancing mirrored ceiling in the dining room creates an area for elegant dining.

French doors lead to the atrium outside the master bedroom suite which is complete with sitting room and fireplace as well as a luxurious bath containing a built-in jacuzzi.





10242 Old Lamplighter Lane

The serenity of yesteryear is reflected in the delightfully decorated home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stuart. Their love and knowledge of antiques is apparent in every room and is the result of many years of collecting. John and Alexandria place family activities first in their lives, and this attribute is reflected in the warm and inviting atmosphere of their home. Both are long time residents of Orange County and parents of three children, Missy, John Jr., and six week old, Shane.

John, an insurance and investment consultant is also a veteran of the musical stage. He has performed all around the country and is currently appearing at the Captain Greenhorn Lounge at the Quality Inn in Anaheim. Alex is also a professional entertainer and dances in John's Las Vegas style show.

The mountain greenery quality of the Stuart's yard provides a retreat for the whole family and serves as an extension of their hospitable home.



10821 Vida Drive



The warmth and natural beauty of wood is strongly evident in the distinctive home of Mr. and Mrs. James Karres, selected for this year's Garden Tea. Guests will enter through a beautiful atrium featuring a sparkling fountain. The attractively landscaped year has a pool and raised cabana which the Karres' use for entertaining.

The custom made cabinets and wood finishing throughout the home are the result of the design and labors of Jim, who turned a hobby of woodworking into a profession. He is the owner of Karres Wood Products, Anaheim, a company that specializes in custom woodwork, cabinets and stereo speakers. He is responsible for the design of the game room addition and also did the interior finishing.

Margo's interests include tennis, boating and waterskiing, activities which are shared with Jim and their three children, Jamie 9, Ronnie 12, and Laurie 13.