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The Villa Park's Women's League Fall Landscaping Award was presented to Jack and Peggy McNally, 26-year residents of Villa Park. Jack, pictured with the award sign, does all his own gardening. He sometimes will put in 500 plants on a weekend. The landscaping includes olive trees and lots of color plants including impatiens, begonia and marigolds.  
Photo by Susi Johnson



The Villa Park Women's League is pleased to present the Spring Beautification Award to:

**LINDA AND JIM BATES**

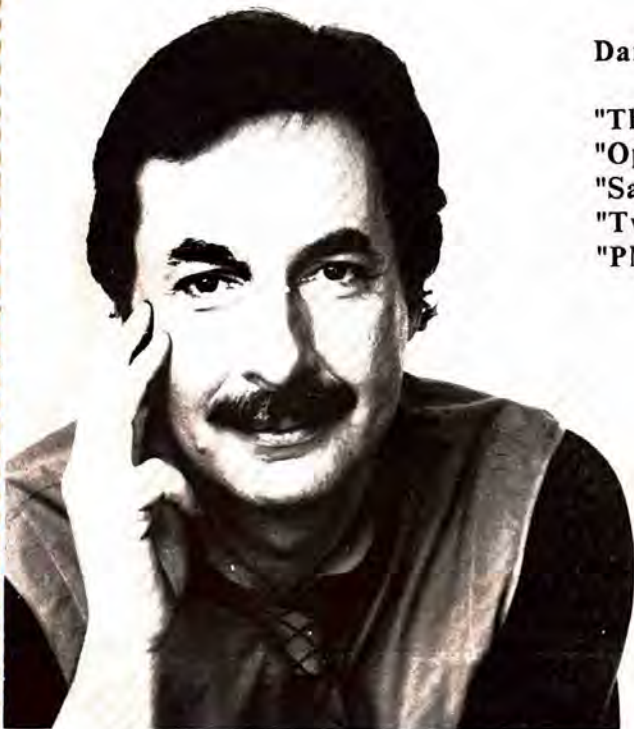
The Bates' live at 18771 Valley. Thank you Linda and Jim for helping keep our town of Villa Park so lovely.

Susie Johnson  
921-4875

Susan Bothwell  
921-2566



# Hypnosis to: lose weight



"Celebrity Hypnotist" Damon

**DAMON REINBOLD** is America's leading expert on hypnosis, neuro-communications and other matters of the mind. Damon (he likes to be called by his first name only) has helped more than 2 million people lose weight or stop smoking -- easily and quickly -- with no agonizing after effects or withdrawal. He's even been jetted to Miami to rescue Don Johnson from his smoking habit!

"On November 7, Damon is making a special appearance in Orange for the Villa Park Women's League. For those who want to lose weight, one of his group programs will be available after the lecture. Don't miss this opportunity to see and meet **DAMON REINBOLD**. The lecture is free, the weight loss program is only \$45. Payable by check, cash, MasterCard, Visa. Get ready to have the time of your life!

Damon has been seen on:

"The Tonight Show" *NBC-TV*  
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"20/20" *ABC-TV*

## Answers to Your Questions

In order to help you understand hypnosis the following are answers to some of your questions commonly asked.

### Who can be hypnotized?

Everyone can be hypnotized if they simply allow themselves to be. Young children tend to have a short attention span and will lose concentration quit easily.

### What makes a good subject?

Mainly a willingness to be hypnotized. Confidence, relaxation, and motivation are important factors, also.

### Is a hypnotized subject asleep?

**NO!** You are neither asleep nor unconscious. You are in full possession of all faculties, even more keenly so than when in a "normal state". You are capable of ending the hypnotic state any time you wish.

### Can I be made to do something I don't want to do?

**NO!** You are completely aware of all suggestions and will simply refuse to do anything contrary to your wishes.

### Is hypnosis dangerous?

Hypnosis is no more dangerous than natural sleep. It will not weaken the will, damage the nervous system or in any way adversely affect the physical and mental well-being of an individual.

### Is hypnosis habit forming?

No. Regardless of how many times a person has been hypnotized, he/she is never a "slave" to the hypnotist, or under the hypnotist's control. You can reject hypnosis any time you wish, contrary to fiction.

### What about medical problems?

Hypnosis is not the practice of medicine. Problems of a medical nature must be handled by a physician.

### Will I go into a trance?

Not at all. Subjects are aware of everything around them and have complete control over themselves at all times. Our programs are entirely safe.

# Damon

## Villa Park Poinsettia Ball A Huge Success

More than 448 Villa Park residents whirled, twirled and boogied at the Villa Park Women's League Poinsettia Ball on Saturday, Dec. 3, at the Disneyland Hotel. Lorraine Glenn, chairman of the

event, said that the event was not a "fund" raiser, it was a "Fun" raiser.

The evening began in Villa Park with 11 cocktail parties arranged by Chris Brodsky, Yvonne Mont-

gomery and Sue Geriak. Opening homes for the parties were: Marge and Joe Conway, Sue and Ron Accornero, Anne and John Frackleton, Barbara and Lars Steensland and Mari and Ron d Ryk. Other parties were held at the homes of Susan and Bob Morgan, Linda and Larry Ashton, Mary and Wayne Silzel, Pat and Bill Gannon, Noni and Pay Flynn and Joan and Dave Stephenson.

Lush scarlet poinsettias were everywhere including on the tables. The centerpieces and favours were designed by Ginny

Kent and Ann Fascenelli. There were enough poinsettias for every couple to take one home. The artwork on the invitations and programs were the product of Ginny Kent and Marilyn English.

Listening music was played throughout the dinner by the Roomates and then all music tastes were accommodated when the dancing began.

Reservations for this sell-out affair were handled by Barbara Hunter. The event was such a success that a larger ball room has been reserved for the next year.



Handsome Villa Park men pictured, from left, Alan Nelson, Curt Stickfort, Dave Sarkaria and Doug Graft stop for a quick picture before they take their wives to the Poinsettia Ball.



Bob and Barbara Hunter, standing, and Bill and Judy Keeler take a rest from the dance floor.



Janet and Mike Dante had a fun time at the Villa Park annual dance.



Chairwoman Lorraine Glenn and husband, Jim, just love to dance to the music of the "Roomates".



Mary and Wayne Silzel



**Jim Brodsky and Lorraine Glenn**



**Karen and Jim Christensen**



**Marge and Jos Conway with the Cashman's**





## 500 enjoy annual VPWL Poinsettia Ball

### Dance Committee

- Lorraine Glenn, Chairman*
- Ginny Kent*
- Ann Facenelli*
- Barbara Hunter*
- Marilyn English*
- Yvonne Montgomery*
- Sue Geriak*
- Chris Brodsky*



Mary and Wayne Silzel with Bob and Georgla Cashman



Jim and Pam Fasbender



Cathy and Jim Wells



Burghard Kruckenhausen, Mary and John Nixon,  
2d row - Claudia Keller, Angelika Langner



Roland and Harriet Wedemeyer,  
Jerry and Lynn Pharris (L to R)



Clarinel & Milton Stamos



Mike and Marilyn McNulty

**Bob and Kathy McGowan** of Villa Park had an experience two weekends ago which had both scary and humorous moments. Formally dressed for the annual Villa Park winter ball, the McGowans were headed for the party when a pickup truck ran the flashing red light at Lemon Street and Villa Park Road, smashing into Bob's expensive car. Although the car was probably totalled, the McGowans were not injured. Bob, an airline pilot, former Villa Park councilman and a former volunteer fireman, began directing traffic around the accident scene until sheriff's deputies arrived. A lady deputy was the first to reach the intersection and Bob reports she was somewhat taken aback at the site of a man in a tuxedo directing traffic. Other couples headed for the ball arrived presently and several men, also wearing tuxedos, gave Bob a hand in directing traffic. Imagine what the motorists passing by must have thought . . . Villa Park is a peculiar place but guys wearing tuxedos directing traffic at the scene of an accident? You've got to be kidding!





## Newcomers Will Have Barbecue

The Villa Park Women's League Newcomers Section will be having a Western Barbecue complete with cowboy hats and

boots on Saturday, May 20, at 7 p.m. at the home of Cathy and Rusty Beth. Don't forget to RSVP Jan Metcalf 633-2081.

## Mother-Daughter Banquet Set For May 25

The Villa Park Women's League will hold an installation dinner and mother-daughter banquet on Thursday, May 25, at 6 p.m. at the Turnip Rose, 300 So. Flower Street.

Juanita Mykkanen, installing officer, announced the following will be installed for the 1989-90 club

year: Barbara Swartz, president; Doris Loeffler, 1st vice president; Barbara Hagen, 2nd vice president; Jan Posey, 3rd vice president; Judy Keeler, secretary, and Barbara Steensland, treasurer.

Janet Dante, program chairman, would like everyone to bring a

daughter to the banquet, or she suggests that you bring your mom, mother-in-law, aunt, niece, granddaughter or special friend.

Tickets are \$22.50 for adults and \$17 for children 12 years of age and under. Table reservations can be made if they are sent in all together.

Send reservations with check payable to V.P.W.L. to 9511 Lemon Street as soon as possible. Last year some people had to be turned away.



Looking over the 1950 records for the Villa Park Women's League Mother/Daughter Fashion Show are from left, top row, Richelle Dante, 8½, Janet Dante, Pat Fauteux and Juanita Mykkanen. Bottom row, Laura Fauteux, 12, Elizabeth Hagen and mom, Barbara.



Jan Metcalf, Pat Sipl Gannor with daughter, Michelle Siple, Kathy Barish and Janet Dante enjoy the Villa Park Women's League Mother Daughter dinner and installation at the Turnip Rose in May



Villa Park Women's League installs 1989-90 officers. Pictured, from left, Judy Keeler, secretary; Doris Loeffler, first vice president; Barbara Hagen, 2nd vice president; Jan Posey, 3rd vice vice president; and Barbara Swartz, president.

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# Bizakis Furs

Will be Proudly Presented

by

The Villa Park Women's League

Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1989

AT

Orange County Mining Co.

11:30 to 2:00

\$20.00 per person

Luncheon included

Make check payable to: Villa Park Women's League  
Mail to: 9182 Loma Street  
Villa Park, CA 92667

or Call: Doris Loeffler  
998-0834

# Independently Speaking

By Judy Pinson

You know, I enjoy eating pea soup, with crackers on the side, however, this past week we've all been living and breathing it! It's the fog, smog and our cooler fall weather. Right around the corner will be our Santa Ana winds, dirty, dusty and very, very dry...no humidity and FIRE WEATHER! Barbara and Rich Hagen, of Villa Park just put on a brand new fire proof roof, and I told Barbara they should put a big red ribbon on it due to the prices now days, plus who really sees it, it's like a garbage disposal, we need them but who sees them? The Hagen family will be a whole lot safer if a brush fire was to get in our area as they have in years past. So friends and neighbors, clear those weeds and trim those trees and bushes...let's be ready for those winds.

And a good time was had by all! The ladies of the Villa Park Women's League, held their monthly luncheon last Wed. at the Orange County Mining Co. They had a short business meeting with President Barbara Swartz presiding. The ladies then were treated to a fabulous fur show from Bisakis Furs, located in Town and Country shopping center, just across the street from MainPlace. Doris Loeffler, was in charge of the program and did one outstanding job by the way, very organized. She had twelve league members model the furs, they were: Carol Gilbert, Penny Wentworth, Doris Loeffler, Jerry Saldarini, Priscilla Selman, Raenele Cote, Barbara Hagen, Marsha Morengo, (her hubby Tom was the M/C), Carol-Dee Chisholm, Cathy Beth, and Clarinel Stamos. Maris Bisakis did a wonderful job when she personally selected just the right fur coat for the models, by matching the correct color of fur and the correct hat for the outfit, all coordinated to match the coloring of the models hair and complexion. this is part of her knowledge and she does the job well. Also, that very same, it so

happened to be Penny Wentworth's, birthday and her sister Cindi Heim surprised Penny with an elegant vase as the entire group sang, "Happy Birthday to Penny!" Some guests for the day were: Clara Pollard and Ruth Crowder of Rancho Bernarado, (Doris Loefflers mother), Carol-Dee Chatterson, Barbara Steensland mother, Anne Moore and Michelle Hansen's mother, Jan Fleming. Luncheon was a excellent Caesar salad, Lemon chicken, followed by Peach Melba for dessert. Good food, good friends and a special thank you to Maria Bizakis. The



Priscilla Selman

next meeting will be Nov. 8th, at Bessie Walls Restaurant, in Anaheim, with guest speak, Dr. Robert Helton. See you then.

## VPWL Models New Winter Fur Fashions

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## THE ORANGE

The Villa Park Women's League is scheduled to hold it's general meeting, Wed., Oct. 11th, at 11:30 at the Orange County Mining Company restaurant, in Orange. Jan Metcalf, of Villa Park, tells me, "it will be a fulfilled and informative day for all league members and their guests, so please join us." The cost is \$20 per person. The program for the day will be furs presented by Bizakis Furs, and I understand they are outstanding. This group of women work very hard and have fun at the same time I might add, for each event held in some way or another, funds are raised and new ideas are kicked around while they are having their luncheon. The Villa Park Women's League Ways and Means Committee actively raises funds throughout the entire year. The monies raised are dispersed to different needs in the community, but as you will see they do reach past the city of Villa Park.

Schools: Villa Park High School, Cerro Villa Middle School, Serrano Elementary and Villa Park Elementary all received \$500 each. More: Villa Park Library, \$1600.00, Scholarships (3 for \$500) total of \$1500.00 and Beautification \$1500. Philanthropy: The Wellness Center \$800.00, Canyon Acres \$600.00, Martha House \$300.00, Ronald McDonald House, \$200.00, Olive Crest \$200.00, and Casa \$200.00. The grand Jurors Association (Centennial Project), received \$100.00 and to Villa Park High School for grad night \$500.00. Now that's a job well done!!!



Holiday Reflections will be the theme of the Villa Park Women's League Christmas Ball Saturday, Dec. 2 at the Disneyland Hotel. Noni Flynn, (not shown) decorations chairman for the ball, enlisted this group for some temporary help making wreaths for the reindeer. From left are Doris Loeffler, program chairman for the League; Jan Metcalf, publicity; Barbara Steensland, League treasurer and Mary Silzel, Ball chairman. This photo was taken at the Metcalf home in Villa Park.  
Photo by Anita Bennyhoff.

## VP League Plans Winter Ball

The annual winter ball held by the Villa Park Women's League will be held at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim Saturday, Dec. 2, ball chairman Mary Silzel said.

Dinner will be served at 8 p.m. after a cocktail hour. Dancing will be to the music of the Roommates.

"Holiday Reflections" will be the theme, announced by decorations chairman Noni Flynn. Tickets will be \$90 a couple for members and \$100 per couple for non-members. Tickets will be available from League members or Mary Silzel at 538-4106.



## "HOLIDAY REFLECTIONS"

- Saturday, December 2, Disneyland Hotel

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Annual VPWL Dinner Dance  
Music by The RoomMates  
6:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.



- \$90 per couple, VPWL members
- One guest couple per member, \$100
- Checks, payable to VPWL, to Barbara Hunter by November 1 to make reservations
- Call Mary Silzel with questions, 538-4106

## Villa Park Women's League

Oct 26, 1975

The Villa Park Women's League Newcomers has a special night planned to see Phantom of The Opera on Thursday, November 2, at the Ahmanson in the Music Center in Los Angeles. Also planned is champagne and hors d'oeuvres at 6 p.m., followed by a buffet dinner at 6:30. Curtain call will be at 8:00. Tickets are \$100 per person. Contact Patty Gittleson or Cathy Beth.

Villa Park Women's League

Presents

Reflections

1989







Here are a few scenes from the Villa Park Women's League annual Christmas Dance, held Dec. 2, at the Disneyland Hotel in Anaheim. More than 300, friends and neighbors husbands and wives, got together for this annual event for a lovely evening of dining and dancing.





was a full house Sunday, Dec. 3 when the Villa Park Women's League celebrated its annual Winter Ball at the Disneyland Hotel. Upper left, going clockwise: Dick Goldman and Frank and Ellie Buluen have just about talked themselves out by the time the camera turned on them. We didn't catch Bob and Georgia Cashman, Wayne and Mary (She was chairman of the event) Silzel, Barbara Swartz and Dick Rodgers in front of the exit sign because they were trying to get away. Everyone was having too much fun for that. Bob and Alex Berakes and Carol and Mort Israel were snapped just as they were leaving.

Photos by Bridget Ford.



## VILLA PARK PHARMACY

An annual custom at Villa Park Pharmacy is The Giving Tree. Jim Brodsky provides the place and the tree for the Villa Park Women's League project, a collection of gifts for children. The gifts this year will go to the children from Olive Crest, El Modena Community Services, Canyon Acres Residential Center and the Pilgrimage Family Therapy Center. Persons wishing to bring some Christmas cheer to a child may

choose a card from the tree which states the child's name, age and gender. They return with an appropriate gift, wrapped, to place under the tree until such time as the League philanthropy chairman, Bettye Peach, delivers the gifts to the institutions.

News from Barbara Swarts, President of the Villa Park Women's League. "Our Giving Tree" will be set up in November at the Villa Park Pharmacy, right next door to Ralph's Market. Betty Peach, Philanthropy Chairman, will be in charge of this project. She says, "with the holidays right around the corner enter the spirit of love and sharing. Look for the annual Giving Tree at the pharmacy, courtesy of Jim Brodsky, and help provide a gift for 300 plus children in impoverished circumstances. This is truly giving from the heart.

News Flash! The Third "Almost" Annual Villa Park Dryland Boat Parade is scheduled to leave port (Villa Park High School parking lot, on Saturday evening, Dec. 9th. After the parade, an All-City dinner is being planned. Now I have seen this parade and I must say a lot of fun, fun, fun goes into it! They tow their boats by car and truck, lighted and decorated to the hilt! It's just a evening of fun and another way for th towns people

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to have a good time together. This years Chairman is Bob Bell, Food, Chuck Beesley, Publicity Hal Saldarini, Treasurer, Bob Fautaux and City Liason, John Fracklton. I'll let you know more about the parade so you can watch it float, or rather drive by your house!!

## Ski "Get-A-Way" Planned For Jan. 27

A week at one of Colorado's most popular ski resorts is being planned for the fifth year of the Villa Park Women's League ski club "get-a-ways."

Crested Butte, Penny Wentworth said, is western skiing at its best with plenty of wide open beginner/intermediate cruising trails as well as double black diamond powder runs. She added the ski school at the resort is excellent.

In past years, the Villa Park League ski club and members of the Orange Park Acres Women's League ski club have combined forces on the January ski outing at top winter sports resorts. Wentworth and Priscilla Selman, both of the Villa Park league, are co-chairmen of this year's get-a-way, and the plan is the same.

Arrangements have been made for four-bedroom/four-bath condos near the slopes at the resort. Three miles away is the old Victorian min-

ing town of Crested Butte with restaurants and shops.

For the group's ho-hum downhill skiers, there is cross country skiing, a dog sled tour, hot air balloon rides or a game of cards with friends.

The expedition will leave Saturday, Jan. 27, from LAX to arrive at Gunnison via Salt Lake City on Delta Airlines, and will return on Saturday, Feb. 3. The bus trip to the resort is about 45 minutes from the airport.

Lodging will be eight to a condo. The Paradise condos are fully equipped and also offer three hot tubs and saunas. Based on a group of 24, the price will be \$597 for the week, which includes airfare, lodging, bus transfer, three day lift pass and a first night sleigh ride and dinner on the mountain.

To make arrangements for the trip call Priscilla at 538-3602 or Penny at 998-1124.

## VP Women's League Meets January 10

A general meeting will be held by the Villa Park Women's League Wednesday, Jan. 10.

The meeting will begin at noon at Western Federal Savings and Loan, 2233 N. Tustin, Orange. Prim Jewelers will present a program. Lunch will be \$7. Contact Doris Loeffler (998-0834) for further information.

*Tasting Spoons*, the Villa Park Women's League cookbook, has been reprinted in the same format as *Loving Spoons*. It will be on sale at the Villa Park Library and Villa Park Pharmacy for \$17.

Every year for the last 33 years the John Kingston family of Villa Park, have decorated their home for Christmas to the hilt. Every year for the past 22 years, I've enjoyed the beauty and can just imagine the work that goes into his yard of grandeur, along with hundreds of other people that slowly drive by to get a closer look. One lady remembered the house at 18041 Charter Road and when she's visiting here for the holidays she always makes it a point to come by for a look, she's from Tahoe. John won the Villa Park Women's League, "Deck the Hall's Award" for "Christmas Spirit", again this year. His neighbor, just up the street, at 18122 Charter Road, **George Martinka**, won the "Special Fantasy Award." The two men according to John, "Do it for their families". Across the rooftop of the Kingston home he flames his grandchildren all in lights. Three years ago, twins

were born, **Justin and Jason**, their names were added and I thought they needed to add on to the house if any more grandchildren were born! Kingston said, "I sat out side for 10 nights in the cold and handed out 25 pounds of candy canes." In the past years, he has had decorations stolen and vandalism done to his yard. About 20 years ago, a car drove through it...another time he said, "my wife called me at work almost in tears and told me five flood lights were stolen and 136 bulbs." He told her to take it all down and go buy some more bulbs, she bought more bulbs and the family carried on the tradi-

tion. The Kingstons moved to their home in Fullerton before coming to Villa Park. The Beautification Chairman and committee of the Villa Park Women's League said, "congratulations to all the residents of Villa Park who took the time and effort to make our city a more beautiful place during this holiday season and a special thanks to the judges. **Ken and Suzanne Henderson, Leanne and Chet Herbert, Dot and Chet Rudzinski, Kathy and Art Hanke, Jim and Sherry Labowe and Joel Johnson.** Noni Flynn was Chairman for the event. Other winners were Lighting, 1st place, 19381 Mesa,

Had a ball . . . Thanks to Nordstrom at Main Place and **Sandie Hempling**, store concierge manager, the ladies of the Newcomers Club in Villa Park were treated to a wonderful morning starting at 8:45 a.m. with a continental breakfast served in the Personal Touch area, and then onto Fashion Accessories Dept., where they had a demonstration on ways to enhance your wardrobe with the latest scarf-tying techniques.

Also, the Cosmetics Dept. beauty experts offered complimentary color makeovers from the cosmetics collection of their choice and shared the latest makeup application techniques. This and much more was shared by Nordstrom, and the ladies were treated as special guests.

**Patti Gittelson and Cathy Beth**, both of Villa Park, keep a watchful eye out for that new neighbor in town and, once found, they sure keep them busy. Nice going, ladies!

Happy Easter!

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1st place 9551 Villa Vista Way  
and 3rd place 18462 Taft. Special  
Effects: 1st place 9662  
Crestview, 2nd place 9651 Bryn-  
mar. For animation, 1st place  
18993 Canyon Drive and 2nd  
place 10912 Ridgeview Rd.  
Sparkling Streets, Estates Drive,  
Cardinal Circle, Roseanau Circle,  
Monte Vista Squire Circle, Winn  
Circle and Crestview.

## Villa Park Women's League Announces Xmas Home Winners

Villa Park Women's League Beautification chairman, Noni Flynn, has announced the 1989 Deck the Halls awards for outstanding Christmas outside home decorations.

The Christmas Spirit award was given to John Kingston, who has sat in front of his home on Charter

Bill and Paige Baker took first place award for special effects. Second place winner was the home of Jim and Connie Christensen.

The animation top award was won by the Bert Blyleven family, and the John J. Italiano family placed second.

Mr. and Mrs. George Martinka won the special fantasy award.

Next year League committee members are planning to announce the winners earlier so they can be viewed by the whole community, Ms. Flynn said.

# Independently Speaking

By Judy Pinson

Hello Neighbors!

The Villa Park Women's League General Meeting was held last week at Western Federal Savings and Loan, and was a huge success, according to Doris Loeffler, vice president and program chairman.

"We had a full house," she said, "due to an outstanding talk about something we all love, diamonds." Fred Prim, owner of Prim Jewelers, was the speaker. His business is located on Tustin Avenue in Orange.

Fred and his lovely wife Sheila both attended the luncheon. They are former residents of Villa Park and now just live over the hill. It sure was good to see you two!

President Barbara Swartz introduced Patricia Gittelson, who acted as the hostess for the event and she, in turn, thanked Barbara Perreiah, who is the business development officer for Western Federal Savings and Loan.

Fred Prim chose to speak primarily about diamonds -- their clarity, their color, et cetera. "He truly is the expert when it comes to diamonds," said Doris, "and diamonds are a girl's best friend, you know."

The nice man that he is, Fred Prim gave of his time and his knowledge, then donated a \$200 gift certificate to the League! Thank you!

Western Federal, located across the street from The Mall of Orange on Tustin Avenue, put on a wonderful luncheon for the ladies, too. They served pasta primavera salad, fresh melons, veggies, French rolls with slivered meats, and a selection of carrot cake with cream cheese frosting, homemade brownies and Mounds bars!! Yum!

"This was a very important meeting," Doris said, "as a nominating committee had to be elected and the upcoming 20th anniversary celebration was discussed by Karen Christensen."

Also Doris told me their next meeting would bring Pat Burris speaking on our "Struggle to Juggle" Sounds like our busy lives are going to get organized here in Orange County I think we all could use some help. Thanks, Doris, for sharing this with us and we're looking forward to the next program already.

Good food and fun, too! --

Thank you to Doris Loeffler of Villa Park and first vice-president in charge of programs for The Villa Park Women's League. Doris planned another meeting and luncheon that was held April 11th, at Lakeside Restaurant, in Orange. The food was super and the program that followed was by "Favoured Flowers," from Placentia.

A demonstration on "how to" arrange silk flowers, veggies, and artificial cactus was done and a darling basket was made right before our eyes! A raffle was held and the lucky recipient of the basket was Joyce Galser,

also of Villa Park.

A special guest for the luncheon was Helen Haslett, from Florida. She is Meri de Ryk's mother and when I happened to mention all the rain Florida was getting, she smiled and said, "it doesn't rain in Florida!" I think she's a Chamber of Commerce spy from that other sunshine state!

Also, visiting her Aunt Jan,

Jan Rickerl that is, was 11-year-old Jackie Thompson of Camerra, who is here for Spring Break. She had a good time and Aunt Jan was loving it, too! During the business meeting that followed, the slate of officers was presented and voted upon by the members. They are: President, Barbara Steensland; First Vice President (Programs), Barbara Ilagen; Second Vice President, (Membership), Barbara Hunter; Third Vice President (Ways and Means), Patti Gittelson; Secretary, Janet Dante; and

Treasurer, Meri de Ryk.

Nominating Committee Chairperson was Dot Rudsinski. It was a lovely afternoon on a beautiful springtime day and once again, thank you Doris for bringing this to us! One more to go, right?

## Home Tour / Anniversary Show Are Target Events For VPWL



Rehearsing for the 20th anniversary show for the Villa Park Women's League is hard work, but fun for these dancers, from left: Mary Silzel, Joel Johnson, Brenda Sach, Debra Hart. Karen Christensen, director, makes a few adjustments.  
Photo by Anita Bennyhoff

By Bridget Ford

Spring will be welcomed by the Villa Park Women's League in a program featuring a demonstration of how to make an elegant plant and floral basket. The general meeting will be held April 11 at Lakeside Restaurant, beginning at 11 a.m.

The finished basket will be auctioned off at the meeting.

Members will also elect next year's officers.

The League's annual home tour, this year designated as "A Sunday In The Park," will be held April 22 from noon to 6 p.m.

Jan Posey is the coordinator of the event, which will feature the homes of Chuck and Shelley Gibson, Ron and Ruth Read, Gerry and Anne Stephani and Ajit and Daren Randhava. The tea will be held in the garden at the home of Chuck and Penny Wentworth.

Tickets will be available through the Villa Park Pharmacy for \$17 for pre-sale or \$20 at the door

### Anniversary Show

Yippee-Ti-Yae and they went that-a-way or... if you don't get

your tickets for the Villa Park Women's League anniversary show soon you are going to be too late. There are only a few tickets left for an evening of rip-roaring good fun March 31 at the Red Lion Inn in Costa Mesa.

This is the 20th Anniversary salute to and by the Villa Park Women's League. Julie Peluso has been choreographing and rehearsing the dancers, Paul and Beverly McNeff have been rehearsing the choral ensemble, and Karen Christensen has been directing the whole crowd into a rootin', tootin' Western Show transforming the upright matrons of Villa Park into fun-loving floozies for the night (or at least during the show).

Tickets for the night at the Red Lion are \$45 per person for non-members, and \$40 for members. Peggy Beesley is in charge of ticket sales. Your entry ticket will be a bandana, different colors signify the decade that ticket holder was active in the League. Take your check and pick up your bandana to 18581 Amate Circle, Villa Park.

The show begins at 6:30 p.m.

**Keep this in mind . . .** "A Sunday In The Park," a home tour, is the theme of the Villa Park Women's League's major fund-raiser, according to **Jan Posey**, chairwoman of the event.

Tickets will now go on sale at a pre-sale price of \$17 each. The very important date for the Home Tour is April 22 from noon to 6 p.m.

"We will be touring four unique homes," **Jan** said, "and then on to the gardens of **Chuck and Penny Wentworth's** for tea." The tea will be between the hours of 1 p.m. and 5 p.m. only.

The four homes to be shown are: The **Gibson** home, the **Read** home, the **Stefani** home and the **Randhava** home. The League suggests you wear good walking shoes and, please, no children under age 12, and also no cameras will be permitted.

You may purchase tickets at the Villa Park Pharmacy up until the day of the tour, or call 921-0978 for ticket information. No calls after 9 p.m., please!

A brochure will be provided upon presentation of your ticket at the door of the first home you visit. Also, because of parking and traffic problems on Mesa Drive, no parking will be allowed on that street. Therefore, please park on Henderson Way, where bussing will be provided to and from the Stefani home.

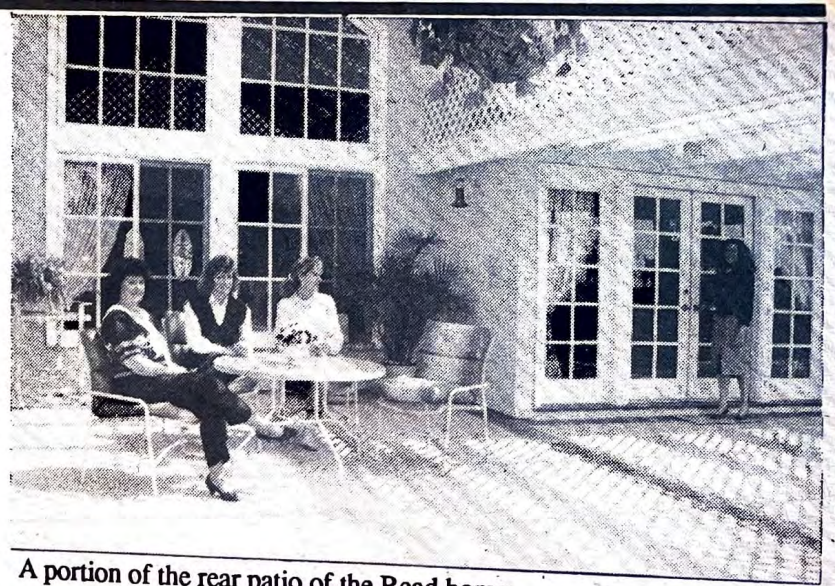
**Jan** said, "We hope to see you among our friends on Sunday afternoon, April 22, 'In the Park.'"



**READY FOR TOUR** -- Janette R. Posey, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the Villa Park Women's League, inspects one of the homes that will be on the Leagues annual home tour. See Judy Pinson's, Independently Speaking column on Page 18.



Waiting to welcome visitors to the Villa Park Women's League Home tour April 22, in front of the Read home, are from left: Jan Metcalf, Barbara Hagen, Jan Posey, Home Tour chairman, and Patti Gittleson.  
Photos by Anita Bennyhoff



A portion of the rear patio of the Read home

## Annual VP Home Tour Scheduled For April 22

"A Sunday in the Park" will be the theme of this year's home tour and tea sponsored by the Villa Park Women's League on Sunday, April 22, from noon to 6 p.m.

The homes on this tour will include the French formal estate of Ajit and Karen Randhava. Located on a hilltop acre and a half, the 5,000-square-foot two story home is decorated in white with accents of black, gray and soft pink.

Chuck and Penny Wentworth's home, noted for its multi-terraced landscaping, gazebo, pool, orchard and volleyball court, will be the setting for the tea from 1 to 5 p.m. It will feature pastries, scones and jam, hot tea, coffee or iced tea and champagne punch.

A sweeping vista to the ocean is the major focus of the new 6,000 square-foot home of Jerry and Anne Stefani. Light and open with large windows, high ceilings, wide halls and balconies, the interior palate is soft mauve, blue and green. Over the years the Stefanis have collected

antique furniture, Kachina dolls and American Indian art which is featured in the decor.

The Old English cottage-type home of Ron and Ruth Read would have been a palace to the cottage dwellers in England. But the style lends itself gracefully to the crown molding, border prints, canopied beds and old English style shelves.

Country French style home, garden ablaze with flower beds, a putting green, mirrored ceiling in the dining room, floral prints, shades of dusty rose and blue, all combine to create a cozy, warm ambiance in the three-bedroom home owned by Chuck and Shelley Gibson.

Tickets for the tour are \$17 if purchased in advance and \$20 at the door. They may be purchased at Villa Park Pharmacy or from Barbara Hagen at 921-0978. The home tour is the major fundraiser for the year for the League. Funds raised will be disbursed to local charities, schools and causes.





Gathering for their first planning meeting for the 20th anniversary Villa Park Women's League show are from left, standing: John Frankelton, Karen Christianson, Beverly and Paul McNeff, Jim Christianson, and Chuck Beesley. Seated are, from left: Caryl Smith, Peggy Beesley, Julie Peluso and Anne Frackelton.

Photo by Bridget Ford

## League To Present Anniversary Show

By Bridget Ford

It was an exciting night at the home of Sherry and Bill Zakowicz of Villa Park Jan. 12th. This was the first meeting of the planning committee for the 20th anniversary show of the Villa Park Womens League.

The night started with introductions of those in charge of the production: Paul and Beverly McNeff, Karen and Jim Christiansen, Julie Peluso, Anne Frackelton and Peggy Beesley.

The McNeffs were recruited by the Christiansens, who had worked under them in the choir at the United Methodist Church in Costa Mesa.

He is also a private voice coach. His wife Beverly is a former commercial actress and broadcaster. Paul will be directing the League choir.

The Christiansens will be directing and producing the show. Julie Peluso, a choreographer at Disneyland, Disney World in Florida and Disney in Tokyo, will handle the show's choreography.

Anne Frackelton will be in charge of costumes and Peggy Beesley is the person to see for tickets.

The production will hit the stage March 31 at the Red Lion Inn in Costa Mesa. Members, former members and spouses of former members of the League are espe-

cially urged to attend.

Tickets are available from Beesley. Send a check for \$45 per ticket for non-members and \$40 for members of the League, to her at 18581 Amate Circle, Villa Park 92667. Those making reservations may pick up their special bandana at the Beesley home, their entrance to the dinner-show.

# Clubs



Chuck Beesley, at right, leads the show finale in his 50-gallon powder blue Stetson. The musical was produced, directed and acted by League members and their helpmates.

## 20th Anniversary Show Plays To SRO

By Anita Bennyhoff

Patrons at the Red Lion Inn Saturday night, March 31, were dressed in sequins and furs, except for the motley crowd of western garbed men and women in yellow, turquoise and peach bandanas. They were everywhere... in the bar, crowding the elevators, grouped around the check-in desk, all of them trying to find Ballroom B-2.

Finally found, it was a matter of trying to push your way through more than 300 people in the gallery having a very social time and watching the charter members of the Villa Park Women's League descend on the escalator to the

announcement of the names by emcee Chuck Beesley, wearing a baby-blue 50 gallon hat that appeared to be larger than he is.

An evening of socializing, dinner, show and dancing, and a fair amount of reminiscing through old film clips shown of just about everything that has happened in 20 years in the community of Villa Park kept the celebration theme of "20 Happy Years" foremost in the minds of all.

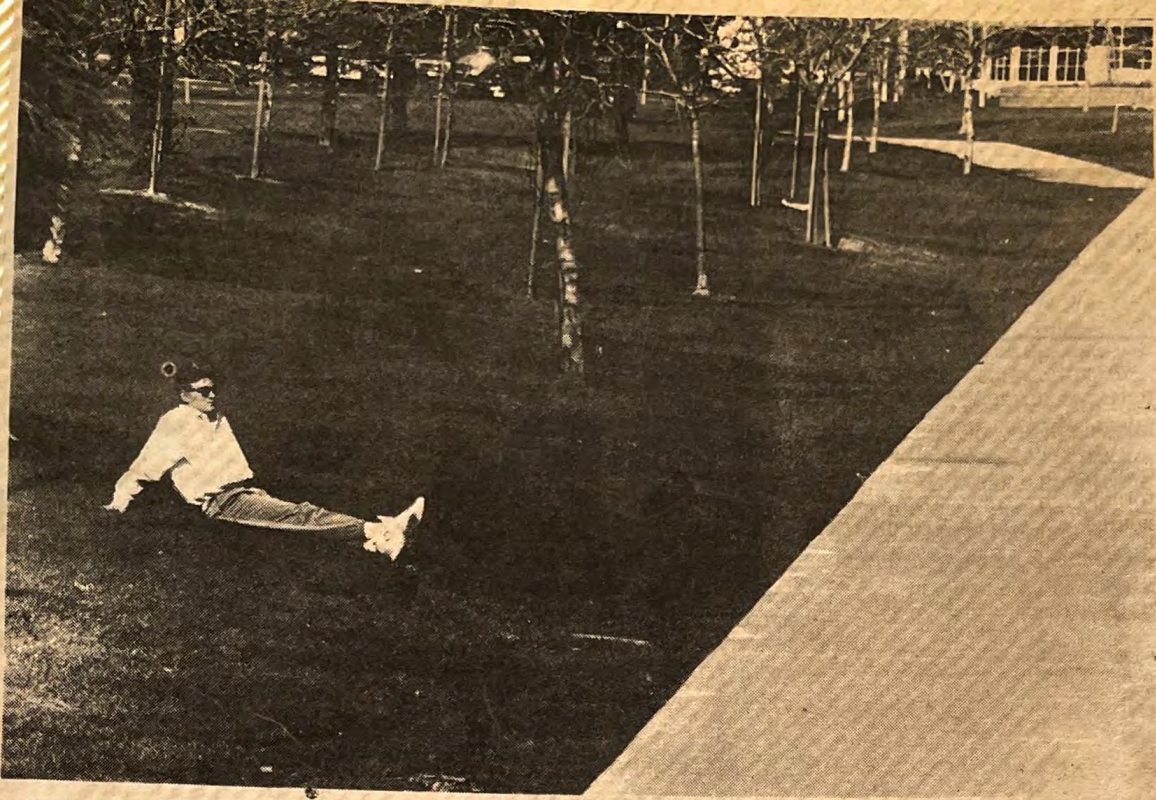
Paul McNeff directed the choral group, Karen Christianson directed the show, Carol McNeff was assistant choral director; choreography director was Julie Peloso, and Jim Christianson originated all the

musical arrangements. Kim Allman sang a duet with McNeff from "Phantom of the Opera," a dance team of six couples danced the "Lambada," members' kids did a number on the old packing house, and the show went on, for an hour of rapid fire entertainment to a SRO crowd enjoying every minute. After the bows and the bouquets, the crowd danced to the wee hours of the morning to a western band.

Peggy Beesley and Charlotte Cleary were in charge of ticket sales and they said the evening was a sell-out and some people who wanted tickets too late were standing along the walls so they could enjoy the show also.



These people made the Villa Park Women's League 20th anniversary celebration work. From left, Jim and Karen Christenson, Caryl Smith and Carol and Paul McNeff. At the end of the show they were showered with flowers and cheers. Photos by Anita Bennyhoff



The city's first park was completed last month.

## Villa Park opens its first park

Despite its name, the city of Villa Park has never had a park. Until now.

The city's first park, a gently rolling stretch of green along Wanda Road at Villa Park Road, was completed last month -- 28 years after the city was incorporated.

The area is perfect for an easy walk or a quick run.

Constructing the park was no simple task. The site was an abandoned railroad right-of-way.

For decades, railway workers had sprayed the area with powerful herbicides to keep weeds and brush from overtaking the railroad tracks.

As a result, nothing much grew in the dead soil.

After many dormant years, soil tests indicated that most of the chemicals had leached out.

Landscapers then removed the top eight inches of soil, using it as a base for the gently rolling mounds that now dot the area. Then they

brought in new topsoil to nurture the grass, white alders, jacarandas, liquid ambers and day lillies planted there.

The 1-1/4-acre park, between Villa Park Road and Lincoln Street, and the 1/4-acre parklet at Wanda Road and Collins Avenue, cost \$160,000 to create. The area is meant to be a passive park. City officials don't plan to add any park equipment -- aside from litter receptacles -- so city residents can enjoy the peaceful look of the area.



**IN THE SWING** -- Friends and neighbors swing into the 'grand finale' at the conclusion of the Villa Park Women's League's 20th anniversary show held last Saturday at the Red Lion Inn in Costa Mesa. The gala celebrated the 20th birthday of the League with a musical extravaganza, directed by Karen Christensen and featuring a cast of more than 100 community members.

**Cathy Beth** called to tell me about some new goings on this year in Villa Park. She said, "All new residents of Villa Park are invited to a get acquainted gathering on, Sunday, Aug. 26th from 2-5 p.m., at 1850 Lincoln Circle, Villa Park."

This is a chance to meet your neighbor, and to find out about the merchants around town. Also they will be able to learn a little of the history of Villa Park. Ice tea, lemonade, and cookies will be served and the entire family is invited, mom, dad, and children too! Sounds like the old "Welcome Wagon" is starting up again and that's a very nice gesture! See you there!