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Social Soirees



Above: Mary and Wayne Silzel enjoy a dance during the "Exhilarate" Celebration.



Above: Performers parade before an attentive audience in one of the final acts in the program.

"Exhilarate" comes to life in Villa Park

"Exhilarate" photos by Dick Wright

Representatives of the Providence Speech and Hearing Center show off the 1982 Dodge 400 convertible that will be up for bid at their June 6th Auction.



Whoops... watch those scissors, please!



Gloria Parker (left) and Cathy Wells (right) served as models for Jim Shook (of Courtney Hair in Orange) as he gave a haircutting demonstration at the VPWL April General Meeting.

Engagement announced



Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Ehram of Villa Park announce the engagement of their daughter, Lori Ann, to Michael A. Harvey of Fountain Valley. A July wedding is planned.

SILVER WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

by Judy Pinson

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest English of Villa Park celebrated their Silver Wedding Anniversary on May 8 with sons Chip and Scott and approximately 185 guests.

Marilyn and Woody, as they're known to many friends, were assisted by a few of their closest friends from Villa Park. Decorations and arrangements were handled by Mrs. Del Boulger, Mrs. Robert Turffs, Mrs. Lou Haan, Mrs. Don Merriet, Karen Austin, and the Frank DeSantis family, all of Villa Park. Also assisting were Mark Gutwiler, Mark Maizel, friends of Scott and fellow team members of the VPHS Water Polo team. Jim Merriet, a Delta Chi fraternity brother of Chip's also helped with arrangements. The beautiful invitations were all done by Marilyn English in calligraphy.

Friends from the past and present turned out to help celebrate this gala affair. Six bridesmaids and two ushers attended from the Southern California area: Mrs. William Hawkinson, (matron of honor) of Lido Isle; Mrs. George Broderick, Los Angeles; Mrs. Robert Turffs, Villa Park. Flower ladies Mrs. Wes Beeson of Mission Viejo; Mrs. Denis O'Brien of Whittier and Mrs. Charles Rhinehart of Los Angeles passed the guest book.



Left to right: Scott, Marilyn, Woody and Chip English

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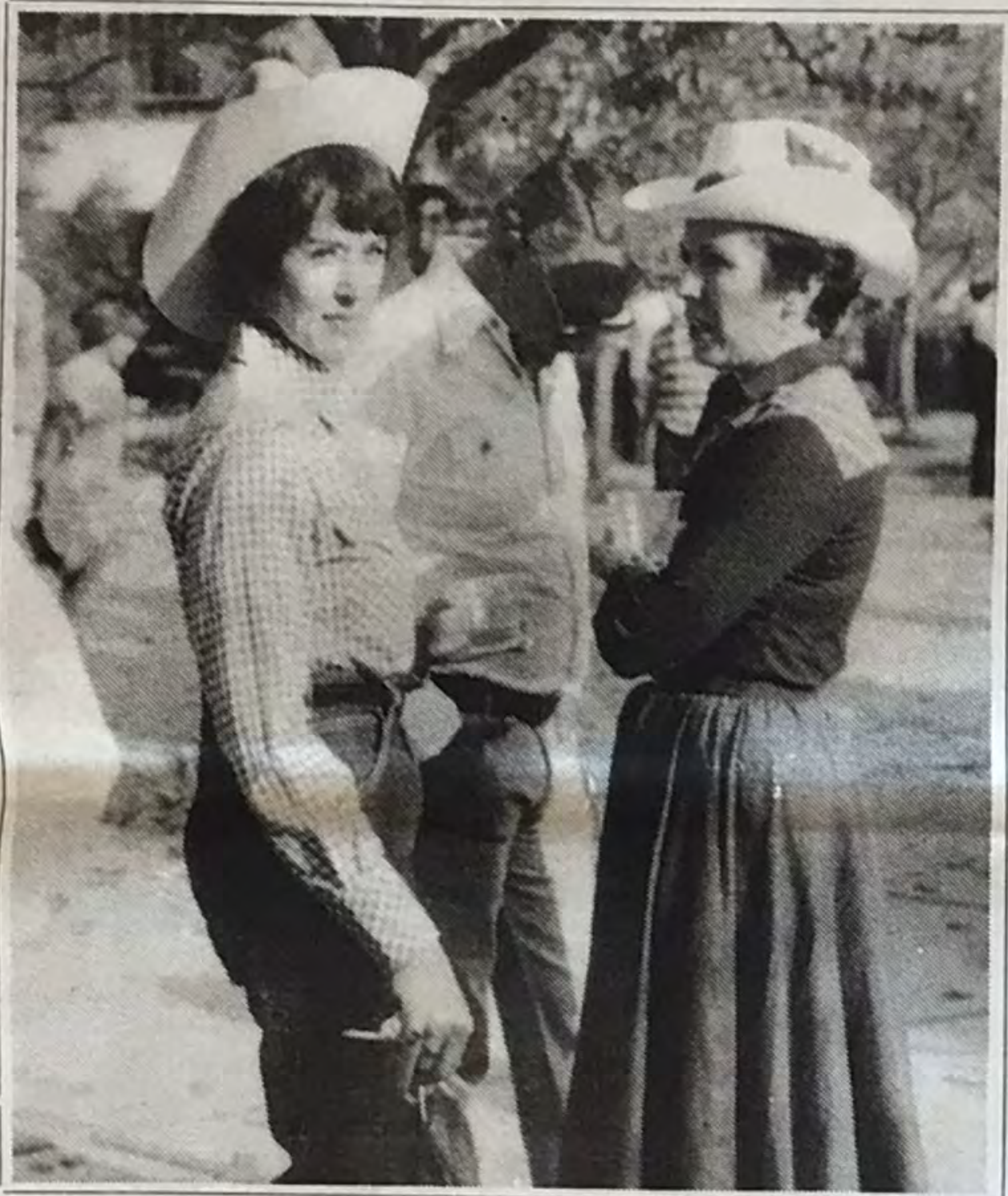


With an estimated 3,000 people in attendance at the Celebration, seats weren't always easy to come by. Many did as these two children and rested on the bales of hay scattered throughout the area.

Amid thousands of people, scattered bales of hay, country music, smoke billowing from countless barbeques and a round of Happy Birthday to the city, Villa Park commemorated its 20th Anniversary Sunday, January 17. Nearly 3,000 residents and friends turned



The antique fire engine, which earlier in the day had carried the Miss Villa Park contestants along the parade route, proved to be a hit with the younger set, as well as admiring adults.



Mary Silzel (left) , and Shelby Oliva (right) , Chairman of the Miss Villa Park contest, discuss some last minute details before the award presentations.



Orange Mayor James Beam makes a presentation, while Villa Park Mayor Robert Helton, who also served as the event's co-chairman, looks on.



Don Willet acted as a stand in for 3rd District County Supervisor Bruce Nestande at the Celebration's special presentation ceremonies. Willet is Nestande's executive assistant.



An unidentified youngster seems to find the crowd more interesting than his even younger temporary charge.



Pictured in the foreground, left to right: James Beam, mayor of Orange; Wayne Silzel, V.P. Councilmember; Carol Kawanami, V.P. Councilmember; and Robert Mc Gowan, V.P. Councilmember, enjoy their front row seats for the award ceremonies.



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out for the celebration, held at the Villa Park Town Center. A live band played country music, while the crowd feasted on hot dogs, hamburgers, salads, beer, wine and soft drinks. Young and old alike, undoubtedly a good time was had by all!



The Miss Villa Park contestants. (IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER): Shari Bussell, Kelly Christensen, Tamara Deming, Pamela Houston, Lynn-Marie Huntington, Marjorie Klerup, Karen Mc Gowan, Lisa Mohler, Wendy Nelson, Janis Rickers, Laura Wynters, Lori Zaremba.



The newly crowned Miss Villa Park, Laura Wynters, picks the winning ticket from Gary Mason, president of the Villa Park Merchants' Association, for the anniversary drawing, sponsored by participating Villa Park merchants. Winner Dave Dovell will receive a golf weekend at the Pala Mesa resort in Fallbrook. Mayor Robert Helton (right) stands by for the next event.



Mayor Robert Helton congratulates a joyous Laura Wynters after she won the Miss Villa Park title. Runner up Pamela Houston lends her support with applause and a big smile. Miss Wynters, 16, attends St. Lucy's High School. Miss Houston, 17, attends Rosary High School.



Karen Christensen, President of the Women's League, introduces the League's Co-Art Chairmen Marilyn English and Ginny Kent, who in turn presented the city with a rendering of the historic packing house done by county artist Glenn Martin.



Mary Silzel, Co-chairman of the Anniversary Celebration, takes a short break on the back of a nearby truck during the afternoon presentations.



Celebration participants kicked up their heels to the live Western music.

Photos by Barbara Miller

Is there a cook in the house?

by Barbara Miller

Teddy Wells has done what many of us merely dream about; she took her hobby and turned it into a vocation.

Wells, a Villa Park resident for nearly 11 years, runs a unique cooking school called the Artful Gourmet. She teaches gourmet cooking classes in a variety of settings: private homes, gourmet food shops and

occasionally for charity benefits.

Perhaps one of the most popular courses offered by the Artful Gourmet is the Cook's Tour of Orange County Kitchens, which Wells started last year. The Cook's Tour of Orange County is a series of classes in which luncheon dishes are prepared in kitchens throughout Orange County. "It was so successful this year," says Wells, "I actually have

people wanting me to use their homes."

Wells, who is active in volunteer work and the Villa Park women's league, especially enjoys doing classes for charity groups. "I did one for the local music center group here in Villa Park," she says. "They booked me for two days and I did a complete gourmet luncheon. They came and had a cooking class and a really nice lunch with wine. It was a

rather easy fundraiser for them," laughs Wells, "because I did all the work."

Cooking is really something that Wells just "kind of took to," as she describes it. "Even as a kid my mother used to volunteer me to bake cakes instead of vice versa," she jokes. Actually, she never had any formal training until she got to college. She began as a Home Economics major, minoring in business, with the intention of going into some aspect of the food industry. "I took that, and enjoyed it," says Wells, "but the only problem with taking home economics in College, is you don't learn cooking. You learn economy cooking and you learn nutrition." Ironically, she later obtained her college degree in sociology.

Over the years she kept busy raising her family, but cooking was still on her mind. She had kept up with it by taking numerous classes. Julia Child and Marcella Hazan were among her mentors, and she has taken many courses from the Inner Gourmet Cooking School in Pasadena.

Eventually, Wells decided she could do a better

job than some of the places she was attending. She teamed up with a friend (she has since moved away) who had a strong interest in gourmet cooking and had done extensive traveling. "I said, 'look, we could do these classes as well as some of them are doing. Between your travel and experimenting and my knowledge, I think we could put together some interesting classes,'" Wells remembers.

Initially, they sent out a flyer to some friends to see if they could get a class filled. They ended up filling two classes!

Wells says she started the "mini business," as she calls it, without any distinctive goals in mind. She was just very excited about cooking and anxious to get started. That, however, soon changed. "I could see as we got going that I really did have goals for it," she says. Basically, she would enjoy doing more charity work and branching out into writing.

According to Wells, her schedule for next year is not really set, but there will definitely be another Cook's Tour in the spring. A Hors d'Oeuvres class is also on the agenda, as is a dessert class for the

holidays. Right now she is working on a "Tex-Mex" class. "That's something a little different that has become kind of in with all the cowboy stuff going on," she explains. "I'm really anxious to give it a swirl and see if anybody really likes it."

Wells describes her classes as an "entire dining experience." All foods are served on the best of tableware with exquisite garnishments and appropriate wines. "I really like to introduce a lot of fun into my classes," she says. "And we do have fun. They're not real stilted classes."

The students in Wells' classes keep in touch even after the lessons have ended - they often call her at home for advice. "There's lots of free telephone calls," she laughs. "My husband gets a real kick out of it, he says, 'do you tell them all that you get a free counseling service when you sign up for the class.'"

Sometimes people even call in the midst of company with a plea for help, says Wells. "I actually had one girl who was going to duplicate a dinner she'd been to, we did Beef Wellington. She called me six times in one day to prepare that meal."

Las Vegas Attractions

ALADDIN: Wayne Newton, Dave Barry (to 10/7); "Dancin'," (9/8-20), Aladdin Theater.

CAESARS PALACE: Paul Anka (ends 9/9); Cher (opens 9/10).

CIRCUS CIRCUS: Continuous entertainment, 11 a.m.-midnight, main arena (indefinite).

DESERT INN: "Annie" (to 9/20).

DUNES: Pat Collins (indefinite).

FLAMINGO HILTON: Sandler & Young, Jackie Kahane (ends 9/12); "City Lites" (opens 9/15).

FRONTIER: Closed for remodeling (to 9/30).

HACIENDA: Murray Langston's "Evening of Comedy" starring the Unknown Comic.

HOLIDAY CASINO: "Wild World of Burlesque" (indefinite).

IMPERIAL PALACE: "Bravo Vegas" (indefinite).

LAS VEGAS HILTON: Bill Cosby, Captain & Tennille.

MARINA: Betty Francisco's revue, "Check to Check" (indefinite).

MGM GRAND: Crystal Gayle, David Copperfield (ends 9/9); Donna Summer (opens 9/10).

RIVIERA: Joan Rivers, David Brenner.

SAHARA: Don Rickles, Clint Holmes.

SILVERBIRD: Pete Wilcox (ends 9/10); 5th Dimension (opens 9/11).

SILVER SLIPPER: "Branded," "Boy-Lesque" (both indefinite).

STARDUST: "Lido de Paris" (indefinite).

TREASURY: "Horsin' Around," with Bonnie Graham, Jack Hayden (indefinite).

TROPICANA: "Folies Bergere '81" (indefinite).

UNION PLAZA: "Ninety Day Mistress," with June Wilkinson (indefinite).

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SCR plans 1982 tour of musical children's play

For the 14th consecutive year South Coast Repertory is sending a troupe of professional actors to southland schools with an entertaining and educational play conceived exclusively for children. The play, **THE FITNESS GAME!**, explores the fun and phobias of physical fitness in a rousing musical Olympics.

The play is underwritten for the third straight year by Mervyn's a wholly owned subsidiary of Dayton-Hudson Corporation in Minneapolis, Indiana. Mervyn's co-produced **THE COMMUNICATION SHOW** and **ART, FOR PETE'S SAKE**, SCR's Educational Touring Productions of 1980 and 1981.

THE FITNESS GAME! goes on the road January 18, 1982, and is slated to visit at least 200 schools, libraries, hospitals and community centers during its six-month tour. More than 50,000 children are expected to view this musical lesson about health and physical conditioning.

The play with original music uses the format of a TV game show to show how physical conditioning can improve one's appearance, attitude and achievement. The play presents concepts of basic physiology and good nutrition and exposes the wide variety of sports and athletic activities available to young people. Young audiences are also encouraged to get involved through audience participation.

During the play Wally "The Lump" Crump is transformed from a lazy TV addict to an active, healthy and happy youngster. According to SCR Literary Manager and **THE FITNESS GAME!** co-writer Jerry Patch, "The play helps children understand how their bodies work and why it's

important to stay in shape. Also, with the Olympics just around the corner, it's a very timely subject."

The SCR Educational Touring Production series began with **THE MAGIC SHOW** in 1969. Since then the children's plays have been cited for excellence by the LA Drama Critics Circle and have introduced subjects of relevance and importance to children, such as personal finance, energy conservation, and nutrition.

THE FITNESS GAME! book and lyrics are written by Jerry Patch and Michael Bigelow Dixon, with original music by SCR Resident Composer Joel Kabakov. John-David Keller, who stages SCR's Mainstage productions of **A CHRISTMAS CAROL**

and **ANYTHING GOES!**, directs the play.

The cast features graduates of SCR's Summer Conservatory for professional acting training. The cast is Robert Crow, Patti Wojcik, Chip Rasmussen, Cheryl Crabtree, and Gary Cowl.

For booking information on any available performances, call SCR Community Services Coordinator Kris Hagen at (714) 957-2602. **THE FITNESS GAME!** is available January 18 through June 11. The performance takes 45 minutes and is designed primarily for students in grades K through 6, but not to exclude 7th and 8th graders. Special instructional Study Guides are available to teachers at schools booking the production.

Recipe of the Week

From the "Tasting Spoons of Villa Park" Cookbook

CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER DAINITIES

- 2 T. butter
- 1/3 C. peanut butter
- 1 C. icing sugar
- 4 squares semi-sweet chocolate
- 2 t. paring wax
- 1 C. ground walnuts

Cream butter. Add peanut butter and sugar, combining well. Mold mixture into balls. Melt chocolate and wax together. Dip the molded balls in melted chocolate, then roll in ground walnuts. Place on waxed paper until chocolate sets. Makes approximately 2 doz. balls.

Judy Hakeman

For a copy of the book, contact

Janet Mongell at 639-7756
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Las Vegas

Attractions

ALADDIN: Wayne Newton, Dave Barry.

ALADDIN THEATRE: Journey in concert (11/15)

CAESARS PALACE: Cher, Freddie Roman (opens 11/12).

CIRCUS CIRCUS: Continuous acts, 11 a.m. to midnight, main arena (indefinite).

DESERT INN: "Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" (to 12/19).

DUNES: "Fabulous Follies" (indefinite).

FLAMINGO HILTON: "City Lites" (indefinite).

FRONTIER: "Beyond Belief," starring Siegfried & Roy (indefinite).

HACIENDA: Redd Foxx, Slappy White, "Latin Fire" revue (to 12/6).

HOLIDAY CASINO: "Wild World of Burlesque" (indefinite).

LAS VEGAS HILTON: Engelbert, Stewie Stone (ends 11/16); Liberace, Shimada (opens 11/17).

MGM GRAND: Rich Little, Debbie Reynolds.

RIVIERA: Loretta Lynn, Jim Stafford (opens 11/12).

SAHARA: George Carlin, Kay Starr (opens 11/15).

SILVERBIRD: 5th Dimension (to 12/5).

SILVER SLIPPER: "Branded" and "Boy-Lesque" (indefinite).

STARDUST: "Lido de Paris" (indefinite).

TREASURY: "Horsin' Around," with Bonnie Graham and Jack Hayden (indefinite).

TROPICANA: "Folies Bergere '81" (indefinite).

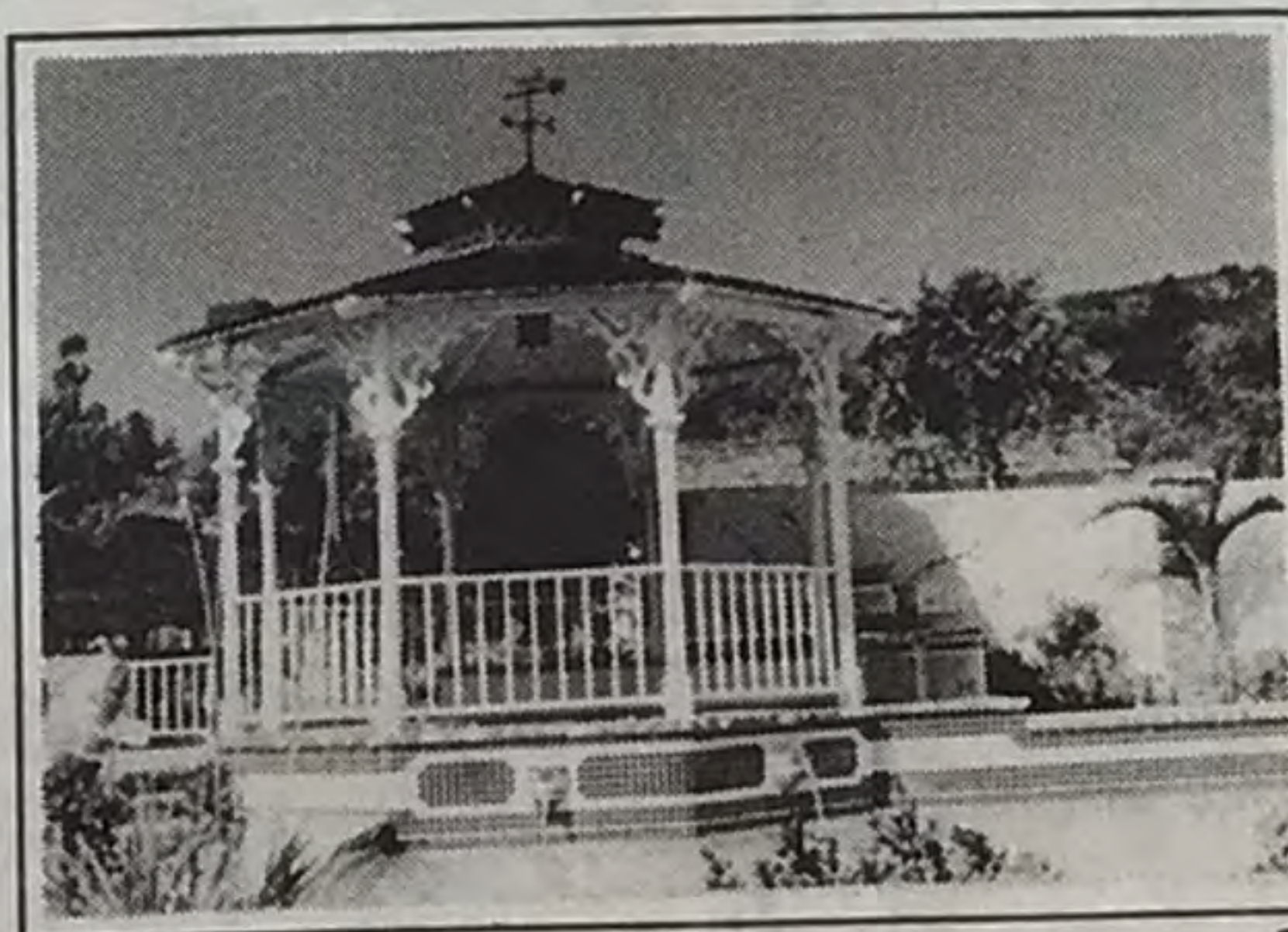
UNION PLAZA: "Flower Drum Song," starring Pat Suzuki (to 11/29).

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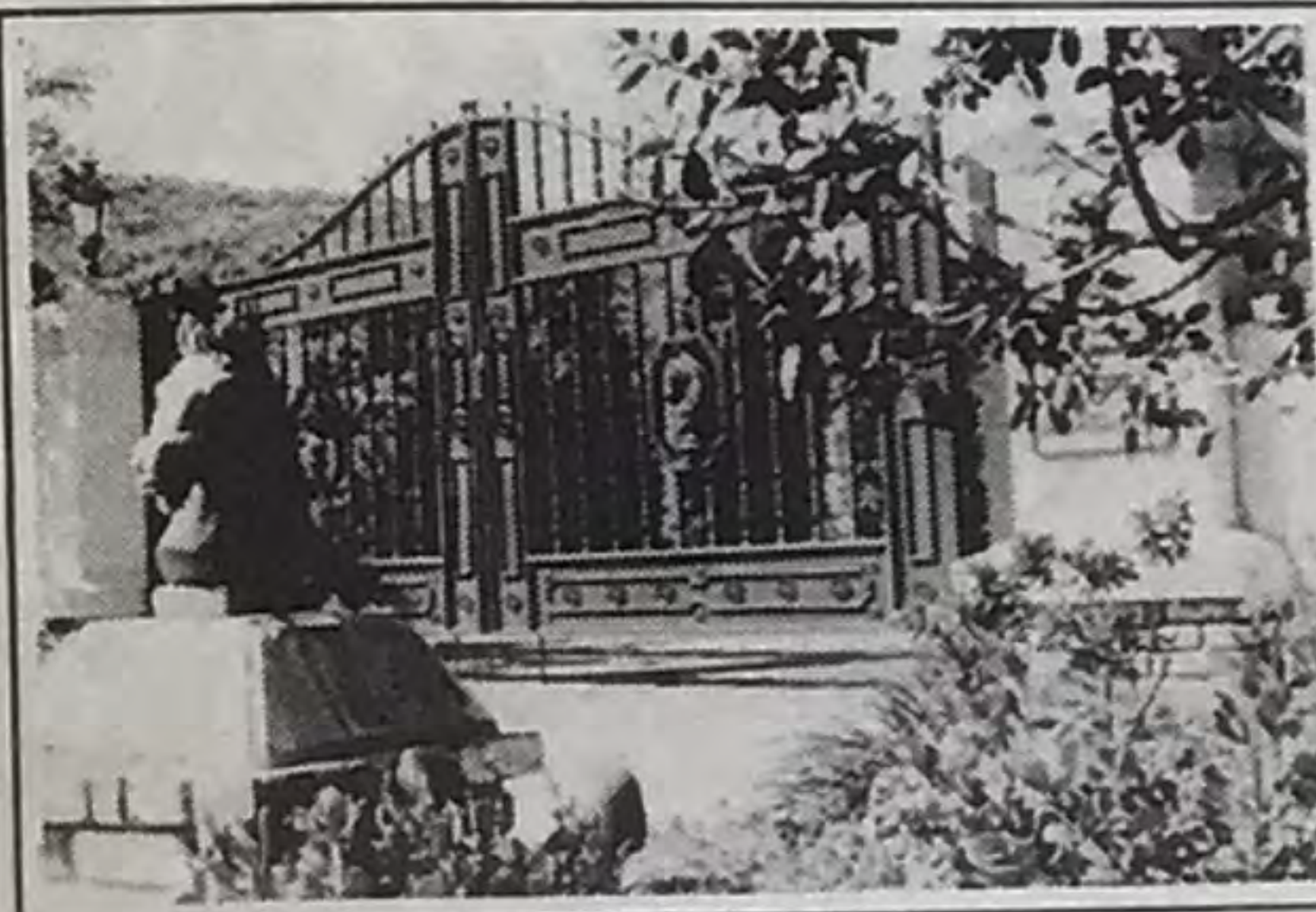
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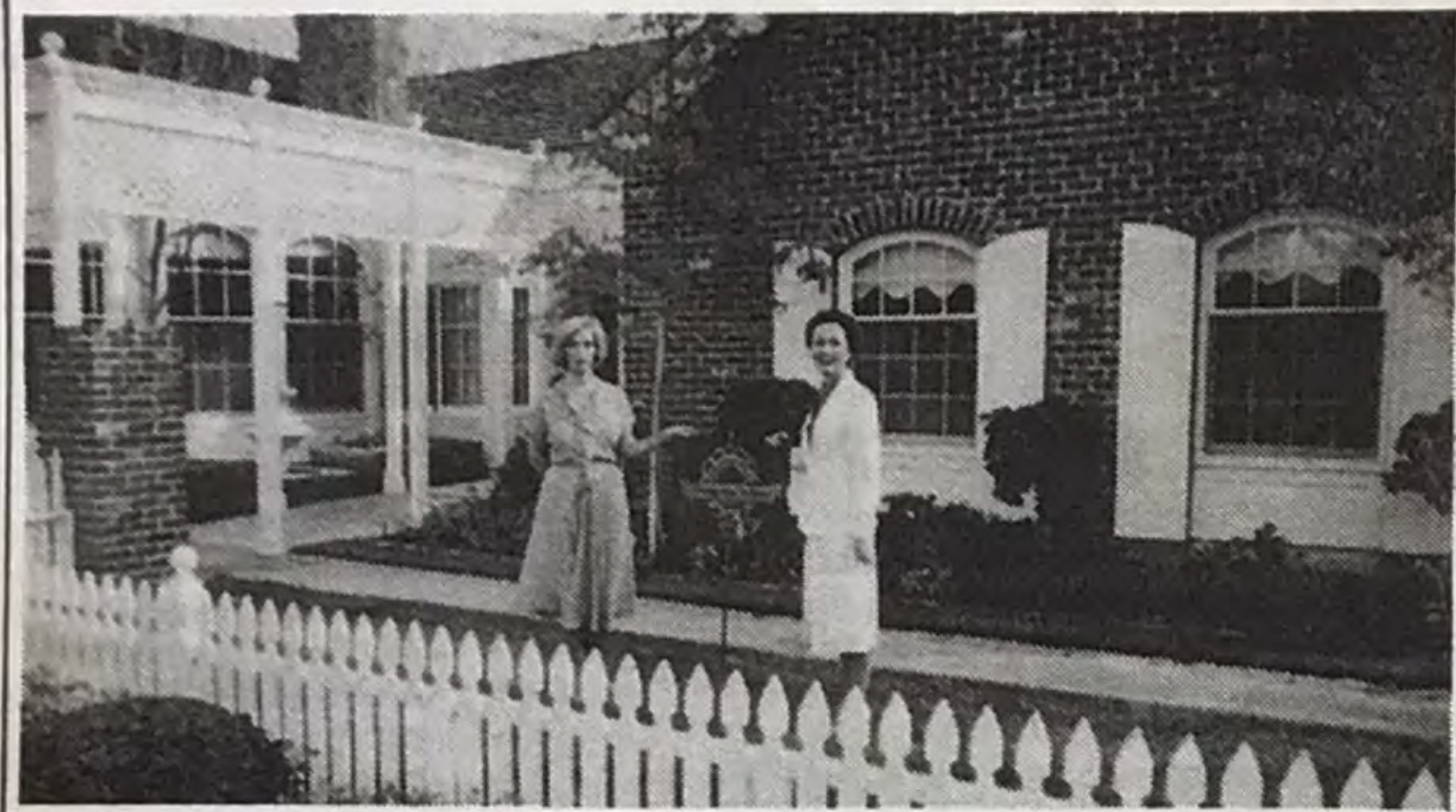
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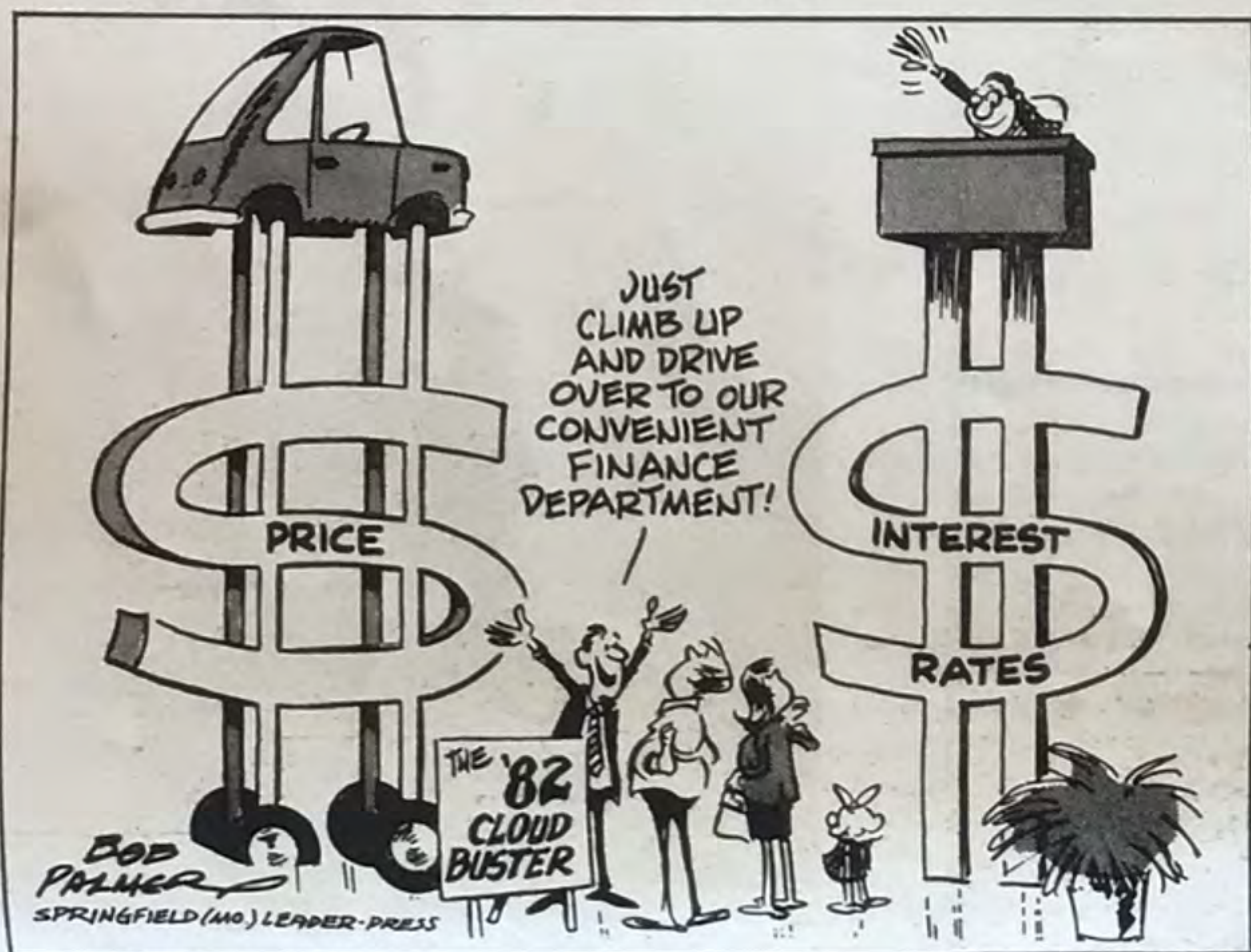
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Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Friedman of Crestview Circle. Their story-book home and beautiful begonias have earned them the Villa Park Women's League-Landscape Beautification Award. Robert and Sheryl Friedman have lived in their home for six years. They take special pride in their rainbow of begonias and impatiens.

The award was presented to Sheryl Friedman by Karen Christensen, V.P.W.L. President and Paige Baker, Beautification Chairman.



Camp Fire needs volunteers

"Remember how it was when you were young?" is the Camp Fire slogan directed at potential volunteers. The 1981 recruitment theme urges busy adults to take time for quickly growing youth in a fast paced world.

This fall boys and girls are joining Camp Fire clubs at their schools and in their neighborhoods. Recruitment activities and parents meetings are scheduled throughout the county. More information on youth programs in specific areas is available from the Orange County Council at (714) 838-9991.

Camp Fire, formerly Camp Fire Girls, offers programs for all youth, from kindergarten to high school. As the first non-sectarian, interracial girls organization in the U.S., Camp Fire has served the needs of youth and community since 1910.

Programs in Camp Fire stress individuality and small ratio of trained adults to youth. Through active learning and decision-making, youth develop personal values and life skills. With the guidance of an adult leader 18 years or older, youth members progressively take more responsibility in planning and doing their own activities and projects.

According to Sue Anderson, South County Community Representative, there seems to be a

resurgence in the number of adults who are concerned about the quality of their child's leisure time and because of that are volunteering to serve as leaders of Camp Fire clubs.

Interested persons may apply for a variety of volunteer positions with the Orange County Council. Options include co-leadership, team leader-

ship, assistant, sponsor, program specialist and community representative. Orientation and training sessions are scheduled on a regular basis or are set up on individual basis.

The Orange County Council of Camp Fire, a United Way agency is located at 1442 Irvine Blvd. Suite 108, Tustin 92680.

Career Corner

by Sarah Davis

The past two weeks we have been discussing the work of John Holland and the six occupational/personality types he has identified. Last week we looked at the descriptions of the occupational/personality types. This week, we will see some of the occupations associated with these types. Again, this is just a guide to suggest possible occupations for further exploration.

REALISTIC: These people prefer occupations such as mechanic, construction worker, fish and wildlife management, laboratory technician, some engineering specialties, some military jobs, agriculture, or the skilled trades.

INVESTIGATIVE: These people prefer occupations such as economist, biologist, physician, quality control technician, airplane pilot, some engineering specialties, actuary, tool designer, computer programmer and X-ray technician.

ARTISTIC: These people are the artists of the world—writers, dancers, artists, interior decorators, reporters.

SOCIAL: These people prefer occupations such as social work, teaching, marriage counseling, speech therapist, clergy work, beauticians, ticket agent and social service managers.

ENTERPRISING: These people are the businesspersons in our society—managers, presidents of corporations, salespersons, buyers, stockbrokers, manufacturer representatives and lawyers.

CONVENTIONAL: These people prefer occupations such as bank examiner, bank teller, secretary, bookkeeper, financial analyst, court reporter, and accountant.

Hopefully, you have a starting point for further research or added insight into why you are doing what you're doing, or possibly why you are unhappy doing what you are doing.



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Women's League to present historical slide show

In a continuous effort to support and enhance their city, Villa Park Women's League members are actively and enthusiastically working together with city officials in a three-stage effort to celebrate the city's 20th anniversary.

Beginning on Sunday January 17, at Villa Park Town Center amid a host of activities, the league will present a historical slide show continuously showing featuring early city parades, picnics, highlights of the 10 year celebration and other notable events. Purchase and selection of the crown to be worn by the winner of The Miss Villa Park Pageant and a breakfast hosted by the league for the contestants and the judges are being planned along with a unique gift to the city, which remains a closely

guarded secret. Tasting Spoons Cookbooks and Mugs will be on sale, the proceeds used to finance league philanthropies.

Second-stage of the Festival of Villa Park is a sparkling stage show entitled, "Celebrate" accompanied by a full-orchestra and professional choreography on March 20 and 21 at the Servite Auditorium. "Celebrate" is the league's 1982 major fund-raiser. Sign ups for participation will be taken on Jan. 17.

Culminating this 20th Anniversary Celebration will be an outdoor concert and gathering at the fountain in June of this year.

In case of rain on Jan. 17, the birthday party will be rescheduled for Jan. 31.



Committee for Villa Park's 20th Birthday Celebration. Pictures L to R: Mary Silzel, Judy Johnson, Karen Christensen - President of the Women's League, Robert Helton - Mayor, Maureen Cassingham - City Administrator, Gary Mason - (Provident Savings) President of the Villa Park Merchants' Association.

More Celebration news on pages 3, 4, 8

The Villa Park Revue, in last week's edition, incorrectly reported that the 1982 Super Bowl will be on Jan. 23. The correct date is Sunday, Jan. 24. We regret the error and any inconvenience it may have caused.

Villa Park City birthday update

All residents of Villa Park are reminded that Old and Collector cars are being sought for the City of Villa Park's 20th Birthday Celebration Family Picnic and Parade on Jan. 17, 1982 (rain-date Jan. 31). Anyone with a car of interest who would like to enter it in the parade at 10 a.m. is asked to call Mary and Dick Wright, 637-7199.

There will also be a 10K run scheduled for earlier that morning and further information may be obtained by contact-

ing Drs. John German or Tom Dorsey. Times and arrangements will be announced at a future date.

City Seal mugs, white with the Official Seal of the City of Villa Park, are available for sale at \$5 each in the Villa Park City Hall. Proceeds from these mugs will help finance the City Birthday Celebration. These mugs are microwave-proof and are shaped for use as companion pieces for the Villa Park Women's League mugs. Further information or mugs may

also be obtained by contacting Catherine Wells.

Food tickets, priced at \$2 per person, for the barbecue lunch to be served from noon until 4 p.m. at the celebration, will be on sale at places of business in the Villa Park Center, or may be purchased by contacting Cathy Wells or Linda Phillips, 997-2125.

A western theme will prevail and residents are reminded to mark the date on their calendars and save the afternoon to "Participate."

VILLA PARK WOMEN'S LEAGUE COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Jan. 17 - Villa Park's 20th Birthday Party at City Center

Jan. 20, 21 - Solo try-outs for "Celebration"

Jan. 23 - Casting party for "Celebration"

Jan. 25 - VPWL Board meeting - 9 a.m.

Jan. 29 - Orange Unified School District Holiday for students 7-12

Jan. 29 - End of Fall Semester

Cindy Lazof

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THINGS TO DO... PLACES TO GO... PEOPLE TO SEE...

Anahem Convention Center: the Harlem Globetrotters present basketball wizardry at its best, Jan. 25 and 26. Sunday at 7 p.m., Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. \$5.50-\$9.50; \$2 discount for children under 12. For more information call 999-8900.

Golden West College: Saturday Children's Film series. G-rated Disney films for children ages 6-14. Saturdays at 1 p.m. through Jan. 30 in the Forum II. \$1; children under three free. For further information or film titles phone 893-6250.

Ice Follies & Holiday on Ice, at the Forum in Inglewood, through Jan. 17. Hours for the Forum shows are 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; 11 a.m., 3:30 and 8 p.m. Saturday; and 2 and 6 p.m. Sunday.

LOS ANGELES: The Numismatic Association of Southern California will hold its 27th Annual Coin show with multiple auction sessions and more than 100 internationally known dealers, Jan. 28-30 at the Ambassador Hotel, 3400 Wilshire Blvd. Thurs. and Fri., 10-9; Sat., 10-6. \$1 donation. For details phone (714)527-0962.

LOS ANGELES: Sunkist Invitational Track Meet, Jan. 22 at the L.A. Sports Arena, 3939 S. Figueroa. International cast of track stars, including Ireland's Eamonn Coghlan and the world's fastest sprinter, Evelyn Ashford of Los Angeles. Events begin at 7 p.m. \$6-\$12.50. For details call (213) 748-6131.

NEWPORT BEACH: The Balboa Power Squadron's popular Safe Boating (outboard, inboard and sail) 13 week course is open to anyone over 12 years of age. The course is free. Held at the Newport Harbor Yacht Club, 720 W. Bay Ave. For further information phone 631-5000.

PALM SPRINGS: Bob Hope Desert Classic, Jan. 13-17. 23rd Annual desert charity 90 hole tournament. For further information regarding times and locations call (714) 346-8184.

SAN DIEGO: Whale Watching Excursions; various times, through Fisherman's Landing, Dec. 26-mid-Feb. (call 714-222-0391 for details); H&M Landing, through Feb. (714-222-1144); Islandia Sportfishing, Dec. 20-mid-Feb. (714-222-1164); Point Loma Sportfishing, Dec. 20-mid-Feb. (714-223-1627); Seaforth Sportfishing, mid-Dec.-mid-Feb. (714-224-3383); Natural History Museum, accompanied by a renowned gray whale authority, weekdays Dec. 26-31, weekends Jan. 2-24, (714-232-3821, ext. 204); The Rendezvous, a brigantine sailing ship, through Feb. 28 (714-223-4105); and Coast Marine Services, aboard a luxury yacht, mid-Dec.-mid-Feb. (714-234-1717).

SAN PEDRO: Whale Watch Excursions; various times, through 22nd Street Landing, Dec. 26-Mar. 31 (call 213-832-8304 for details); Catalina Cruises, Dec. 26-Mar. 13 (213-832-4521); and Ports O'Call Sportfishing, Dec. 26-Mar. 31 (213-547-9916).

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Community Profile: Super-communicator Mary Silzel

by Barbara Miller

You may not know her personally, but chances are you have heard from her, or perhaps attended one of the many local activities she has been in charge of. A Villa Park resident for eight years, Mary Silzel is Villa Park High School's Community Relations Aide and is responsible for communication between the community, the high school and the district office.

Not only does Silzel keep up communication at the high school, but she also writes most of the school news for the Villa Park Revue.

According to Silzel, the Community Relations Aide position was created last fall after being considered over the summer months, and now each high school in the district has an aide.

"Jack Fox (Villa Park High's principal) told me they were considering establishing a position like this and asked if I would be interested in it. So I told him yes, and when they got it all set to go he let me know and I went down and applied for it," Silzel remembers. Basically, she describes the job as getting two-way communication going between the school and the public to publicize school activities in a positive vein. Often times too many negative aspects of the schools are stressed, and there is not enough realization of the positives, says Silzel.

An English major in college and the former Program Director for a radio station, Silzel claims she loves the job of Community Relations Aide. "It keeps you involved with a lot of different aspects of the community," she says. Being involved in the community is nothing new to Silzel, however. She has served on most of the PFSO boards in the high school and junior high, held multiple offices in the women's league, including that of president, and works with the assistance league of Orange.

"I mainly get involved in those activities because (having just moved to Villa Park) I was not anxious to have to make another move at that point in my life and get acquainted again," Silzel explains. "The Villa Park Women's League was such a super opportunity to get involved and become a part of the community. Also, because I have children in the schools, that has always been a prime concern of mine."

The city of Villa Park has a very good school system, according to Silzel, and that is part of the reason why she was so interested in the job of Community Relations Aide. "I realized as time went on and my son graduated from high school and entered college, that students coming out of Villa Park High School have a very superior education available to them. They may not always take advantage of it, but sometimes that's a

decision on the part of the student," says Silzel. "I think they have some very outstanding teachers and some really devoted people on the staff."

Silzel believes there are just too many opportunities available in Villa Park for people not to become involved in the community. "I really do believe that people should become involved in their communities; I think it's a real source of satisfaction."

Needless to say, Silzel sincerely enjoys the kids at the high school. She has to; why else would she spend a good portion of her week out on campus tracking down different teams, groups and their advisors to "get a run down on what's taking place," as she puts it.

"I really do like them at that age," she says with a smile. "They're real people that you can relate to, and most of them have a pretty good sense of humor...even my own!"

Camp Fire homecoming to be celebrated

Any resident of Orange County who was, at some time, a member of the Camp Fire organization is invited to join the Camp Fire Alumnae Association and attend the "Homecoming" Celebration at 10 a.m. Saturday November 14 at the Turtle Rock Vista Apartment Club House in Irvine. Previous youth members as well as past leaders, sponsors, Board and committee members from the local area or from any other council in the nation are urged to attend.

According to Kathy Kricensky of Irvine, Vice President of the Board of Directors and a previous Camp Fire youth member and leader in the state of Kansas, the Alumnae Association was organized by former Camp Fire youth and adult members who are dedicated to the high ideals of the Camp Fire organization and who

by their financial and moral support, strive to make the Camp Fire program available to today's youth.

The program for the Homecoming will feature some of the present youth members. In addition, each alumnae attending is asked to bring a memento or memory to share. Any alumnae who wishes an invitation or more information about the Association is urged to contact the Orange County Council Center at 1442 Irvine Blvd., Suite 108 in Tustin or by calling (714) 838-9991 during regular business hours.

Camp Fire is a national organization which, through an informal education program, provides opportunities for children, both girls and boys, to develop their potential. It is in its 72nd year of operation.



Mary Silzel, Villa Park High School's Community Relations Aide, is in charge of keeping communication lines open between the school district, feeder schools, the high school and the community.

Better Breathers to host program

Respiratory illness is not exclusively a physical problem. Family and friends may not understand the illness, and so the patient can feel depressed or helpless. Thus, it is an emotional and social issue, too.

The American Lung Association of Orange County will co-sponsor "Social Aspects of Respiratory Disease" at the next monthly Better Breathers' Club meeting, open to the public and free of charge.

The meeting will be held at St. Jude's Hospital, 101 E. Valencia Mesa Drive, in Fullerton, on Wednesday, November 18 from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in Building 3-North, Classroom A. Wyletta Guesnon, certified respiratory therapy technician, will conduct the program.



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The Serrano Irrigation District: some don't even know what it is

by Barbara Miller

"The Serrano Irrigation District, isn't that where Villa Park gets its water," answered one city resident.

"I've heard of it, but I don't really know," replied another resident who has lived in the area for nearly 13 years.

The question was: "What is the Serrano Irrigation District," and the answers above seem to be typical responses. Many Villa Park residents do not know much about the Serrano Irrigation District, an independent governmental body which supplies water service to the entire city of Villa Park and a small portion of Orange.

Governed by a board of directors which is elected to four year terms by voters residing within the district, the Serrano Irrigation District is separate and distinct from the city of Villa Park municipal government. The board is

located on Lincoln Street in Villa Park.

According to Noyes, the district's history is what makes it different from other water district's throughout the county. "It's really unique," he says, going on to explain that of particular interest is a submerged dam on Santiago Creek (near Windes Drive) that is nearly 100 years old.

Low water rates also set the district apart from other water districts, says Noyes, who claims that Serrano's rates are probably one of the lowest in Orange County.

Rates are dependent upon waterfall and on a dry year the district must purchase additional water from the Metropolitan Water District. During these dry years the water rates must increase in order to pay for the supplementary water, explains Noyes. For the last few



Above: David Noyes, general manager of the Serrano Irrigation District, points out to fellow employees Harriet Fitschen (left) and Vivienne Wettlin (right) the route Villa Park's water must travel before it reaches the city. Right: the Irrigation District's main office on Lincoln Street.



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responsible for overseeing the operations of the district and makes all major legal and financial decisions.

Currently serving on the board of directors are Terrance S. Clingan, president; Walter Howler, vice president; and members Gordon L. Lockett, John M. Everett and Robert (Woody) Rickerl.

Day to day operations of the district are handled by General Manager David Noyes, who supervises the staff at the district's office

years, however, there has been sufficient waterfall and the district has not had to purchase extra water.

There seems to have been adequate waterfall this winter as well. "We have sufficient water at this time and we don't anticipate any summer or fall water problems," says Vivienne Wettlin, administrative assistant for the Irrigation District.

The water that flows out of Villa Park faucets actually begins its journey way up in the Cleveland

National Forest in San Diego County. It proceeds from there to Irvine Lake, officially known as Santiago Reservoir Creek and Dam #75, through Villa Park Dam to a water treatment plant at the corner of Loma Street and Taft Avenue and then is distributed throughout the district.

According to Gordon Lockett, a former president of the Serrano Irrigation District's board of directors, the district traces its origins back to the early 1880s when farmers in Villa Park joined with

those in El Modena and built the submerged dam in order to divert water from the Santiago Creek to irrigate their fields and orchards. In subsequent years several well companies were formed, wells were drilled and pipelines were put in to augment the water from the creek.

The Carpenter Irrigation District of El Modena and the Irvine Company joined with Serrano in 1928 and constructed the Santiago Dam and Reservoir (Irvine Lake). The project was completed in

1931 at a cost of approximately \$1 million.

In 1931 the residents of the district approved a bond issue which provided funds for the construction of the initial domestic water system in the city, with pipes sized to provide for service to one house on each 10 acres, says Lockett.

By the 1960s Villa Park had become more urban than rural and the decreased need for agricultural water resulted in a decision to build the filter-

ing plant on Taft Avenue. Reservoirs were constructed in later years at Sycamore Street and Taft Avenue to facilitate the use of water received from Irvine Lake.

Today the district with its three wells located near its office on Lincoln Street, its reservoir at Sycamore and Taft and on Cerro Villa Drive, its interest in Santiago Reservoir, its filter plant and its distribution mains, provides a very efficient system for serving the water needs of the people of Villa Park.

V.P. Women's League activities go on and on...

Celebrate events keep rolling

It's time to exhilarate... The Pacific Pops Orchestra, the Women's League, the city and the merchants are inviting you and your family to the third event in Villa Park's 20th Anniversary Celebration, a free concert in our town center on Sunday, May 23rd at 4 p.m.

The program will include favorite show tunes, movie themes and production numbers from the recent production "Celebrate." Also appearing will be the Celebrate Chorus.

Popcorn and liquid refreshments will be available while enjoying an afternoon of great music and Villa Park fun, listen-

ing to Jim Christensen and the Pacific Pops Orchestra.

An artist proof lithograph copy of the Packing House by artist Glenn Martin will be presented to the winner of the Women's League raffle.

Tickets for the raffle are currently on sale at the Provident Federal Savings and Villa Park Pharmacy for \$1.

Birthday picnic to help fund concert

The funds remaining after the expenses have been met for the Villa Park 20th Birthday Barbecue and Parade on January 20, 1982, have been donated by the Citizen's Commit-

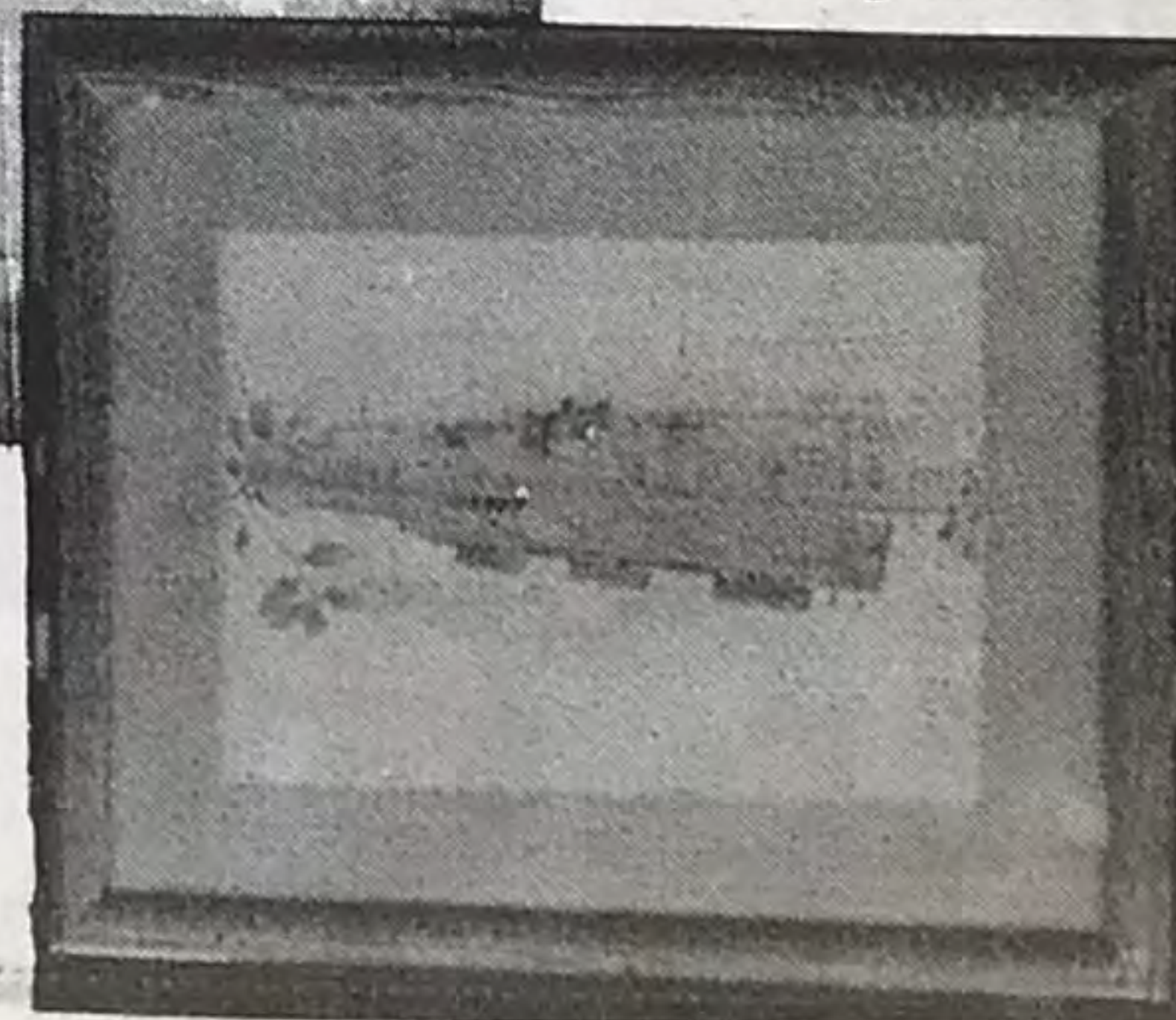
tee to the Villa Park Women's League to help finance "Exhilarate," the concert near the fountain to be held on May 23. This event will be the final phase of the city-wide birthday celebration.

Approximately \$550 in cash and the unsold 20th anniversary mugs were given to the league. Upon sale of the mugs, the net value will total nearly \$850 to be merged with funds from "Celebrate," the Villa Park Women's League musical show of March 21 and 22, to make possible a free community concert by the Pacific Pops Symphony in the Villa Park Center.

Co-chairmen of the Citizens' Committee for the 20th Birthday Picnic and Parade Mary Silzel and Bob Helton, along with the committee treasurer Cathy Wells, have formally closed the books and disbanded the committee.



VPWL President Karen Christensen (left) officially turns over the rights to a lithograph of the Packing House to Joanne Weber, president of the Provident Speech and Hearing Center.



The Women's League presented the lithograph (right) to Provident for their June 6 auction.