

A Publication of Belmont Village for Residents, Staff, Family and Friends

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#### Sadie's Corner



Hot town, summer in the city! I used to love that song by The Lovin' Spoonful. It always reminded me of long, hot summer days that ended well after dark in my old neighborhood. These days I opt for air conditioning! Some of the highlights for us include our annual employee picnic on Friday, August 5th. We are having a mechanical bull and a dunk tank! We hope to help the team cool down and have a little fun at work. Our annual Resident Family Luau is Thursday, August 11th, from 4:30-6:30pm. This is a BIG event at Belmont Village and the dancers always need audience participation. So, make sure you stretch before you come to dinner that night! Please make your reservations at the front desk.

A friendly reminder about transportation safety. Please make sure that you wait until the driver gives you the go ahead to board the bus. A staff member (driver) must be at the base of the bus stairs when residents are getting on and off for everyone's safety. Secondly, please remember to keep your seat belt fastened

until the bus is parked and turned off. Lastly, please be careful when the lift is down toward the back of the bus. The edges stick out of the lift and we do not want anyone to trip.

Do you have to wait for your table in Josephine's Kitchen at dinner? Try coming with your entire party, or try coming in a bit later. At 5:45pm the dining room opens up considerably as the first wave of residents finish. We are thinking as creatively as possible and are open to suggestions. Thank you for your flexibility.

It's back to school time! Are your grandkids returning to school this fall? August 30th is the first day for many of our local kids here in San Diego. Ask them to send you their best "selfie" via email to sharness@belmontvillage.com

and I'll print them for a board in the Great Room. We love back to school pictures and it will be fun to get a contest going – which grandchild belongs to which grandparent at Belmont Village.







#### **Happy Hours**

8/4 Robert Hardaway 8/11 LUAU 8/18 Blue Zone Group 8/25 MusicStation

#### **Salon Hours**

9 a.m.–4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday, **Located on 3rd Floor.** Please schedule directly with the Salon. (760) 632-4667.

#### **Monthly Support**

Optometry/Podiatry
By appointment only via our nurses (WC, 2nd Floor).

**Podiatrist In-House** 

Third Thursday, 10 a.m. Assisted and Independent Living (CR, L2) 1:30 p.m. Neighborhood

**Audiologist** 

Last Thursday, 2 p.m. (CR, L2)

Parkinson's Support

First Wednesday, 1 p.m. (TH)

Caregiver Support Group

1st & 3rd Monday 1:30 p.m (CR, L2)

#### **Things to Remember**

**Doctor Drives** 

Tuesdays (North)
Thursdays (South)

\*15-mile radius (each way)

\*48-hour advance notice

**Dry Cleaning** 

Pickup/Drop-Off:

8 a.m. Mondays and Thursdays
Church Runs

Sundays: 8:30 a.m.- 12 p.m.

### **August Outings**

Wed., Aug. 3rd at 11:30 am:

Baseball Game

Bring me some peanuts and

Cracker Jacks! Come watch the

Padres vs. the Brewers.



## Thurs., Aug 4th at 9:45 am: Donuts and Drive

Join us for the best donut you will ever have! VG Donuts has been a staple of Encinitas since 1969.

After we grab a donut, sit back and relax on a scenic ride along the coast.

# Wed., Aug. 10th at 10:30 am: Mission and Lunch

We will be heading to Mission San Diego for a tour then have lunch in Old Town San Diego. Fri., Aug. 12th at 10:00 am: Barona Casino

Try your hand at the Blackjack table or the slots!

Sun., Aug. 14th at 1:00 pm: Concert

Coastal Communities Concert Band presents "Broadway Hits."

Wed., Aug. 17th at 4:30 pm:

**Dinner with Robert** 

Back by popular demand-- Firenze Trattoria in Encinitas. They are known for their delicious Italian dishes.

Wed., Aug. 24th at 10:30 am: Lunch

After receiving residents' requests and rave reviews, we will be going to China Max in Mira Mesa.

Wed., Aug. 30th TBD:

**Movie Outing** 

Movie will be chosen closer to the date. Suggestions welcome!



Mereani with resident John G.

#### **Employee of the Month**

A round of applause to Activities Assistant Mereani for all of her wonderful work she does for the residents. Mereani was born and raised in Fiji and comes from a very close family. However, she now happily calls San Diego home with her clever, caring, and loving husband Shaun. When she is not at work she loves hiking, camping, barbecuing, and bonfires with her friends. Mereani feels so blessed to work with our residents in the Neighborhood. She has learned so much from them, with their experience, success, and wisdom!

# Back to School...Already? by Therese F.

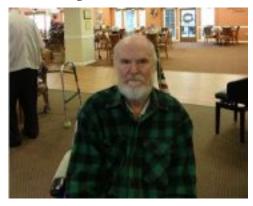
Most of us recall a time when the summer recess lasted until after the Labor Day holiday. However, in the 20th century, state governments began to standardize the number of days students should be in school and longer school years became mandated. As a result the start date began moving into August, interrupting summer fun and family vacation time.

Therefore, as the dog days of summer ensue, we look back at some of our residents' school days. Jack H. recalls helping his dad with the morning dairy farm chores and milk deliveries. He would then hasten off to his classroom at Colfax High School in Washington, where he was almost always tardy, but his teachers never admonished him since being a helpful farm hand is a far cry from truancy!

Anita A. and Bobbie S. are San Diego natives, each earning a degree from San Diego State. Anita majored in Economics and claims she never used her degree in the workplace. One might argue that her education came in handy as she and her husband built their own home from the ground up! Bobbie S. was a drama major and she enjoyed learning every aspect of theater from stage production to performing. Bonnie S. is a graduate of a small college

in Jackson, Tennessee called Lambeth College. She double majored in art and math. After graduating, Bonnie was hired at a textile company and utilized her accounting skills. She was so talented at her trade that she became the assistant to the boss! **Norma** N. recalls the kick off to the school year was always following Labor Day, and she should know, Norma spent 19 years teaching! Today, students in every classroom utilize the internet as a resource for information. Edson H., a graduate of M.I.T., developed fundamental software that powered the world's largest network prior to the internet, which directly influenced internet development. It's easy to see why he was on the Dean's List at M.I.T!

All of our residents at Belmont have incredibly diverse backgrounds in the classroom and in the workplace. Our young people have so much to learn from this generation!



**Edson H.** is an alumni of Massachusetts Institute of Technology.



The residents beer tasting at Stone Brewery.



The happy couple!



**Anita A.** your ice cream looks delicious!



The residents enjoying a huge cotton candy dessert at Sammy's Pizza.



# August 2016

TH Town Hall SR Screening Room TF Town Hall Foyer C Club Room B Bistro P Pool

GR Great Room CF Center for Learning JK Josephine's Kitchen **♣** MBA

★ Special Event

✓ Outing

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#### **August Celebrations**



#### **Resident Birthdays**

1st	Roseanne S
3rd	Lucille S.
4th	Barbara G.
4th	Thelma K.
5th	Jerry C.
5th	Sonia M.
7th	Peter L.
10th	Ivy B.
17th	Mitch P.

#### **Staff Birthdays**

Joey
Ofelia
Lydia
Evangelina
Joanna
Daniel
Sandra
Nanci
Suzette
Maricruz

#### **Employee Anniversaries**

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5 yrs.	Sara				
5 yrs.	Josefelia				
3 yrs.	Steve				
3 yrs.	Maricruz				
2 yrs.	Maria				
1 yr.	Gina				
1 yr.	Jarrett				
1 yr.	Nancy				
1 yr.	Melissa				



Come by and welcome Mark!

#### **Meet the New Driver**

Mark is the youngest of ten children. He grew up and was educated in the San Francisco Bay area. He has visited countries and taught English in North America, Asia, Europe, and Africa. After marrying, he settled in the California gold rush town of Columbia in the Sierra Foothills. He has a daughter and son. Mark moved to San Diego County in 2014 and works part time as an English teacher in Oceanside. In his free time he enjoys mountain biking, motorcycling, snowboarding, cooking, and reading.

#### Nurse's Note

What is influenza (flu)? The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. The best way to prevent the flu is by getting a flu vaccine each year and washing your hands.

Signs and symptoms of flu. People who have the flu often feel some or all of these symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headaches, fatigue, and sometimes vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children.

How flu spreads. Experts believe that flu viruses spread mainly by droplets made when people with flu cough, sneeze or talk. These droplets land in mouths or noses of other people. Less often, a person might also get flu by touching a surface. You may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know

you are sick or while you are sick. Most healthy adults may be able to infect others beginning 1 day before symptoms develop and up to 5 to 7 days after. Some people, especially young children and people with weakened immune systems, might be able to infect others for an even longer time.

How serious is the flu? It is unpredictable, varying widely from one season to the next. Factors of influence: what flu viruses are spreading, how much flu vaccine is available and the number who take advantage of it, when vaccine is available, and how well the flu vaccine is matched to flu viruses. Certain people are at greater risk for serious complications if they get the flu. This includes older people, voung children, pregnant women and people with certain health conditions.



#### **Neighborhood News**



Neighborhood residents at Balboa Park.

It has been a mild summer for us here thus far in Southern California. The month of August typically marks the hottest days of summer. Residents suffering from Dementia can often times have difficulty expressing that they are thirsty and would like something to drink. It is important that caregivers know risk factors and the common early signs of dehydration.

A few common risks factors:

- Swallowing disorders.
- Residents who wander or are physically highly active.
- Taking 5 or more medications.

Tips to help prevent dehydration:

- Know the warning signs Fatigue, unbalanced or
   leaning gait, dark urine, dry
   mouth.
- Encourage small drinks throughout the day as opposed to large amounts all at once.
- Eating a proper diet fruits and veggies.

#### Circle of Friends

It has been months in the making, but we finally have lift off! With the success of our growing program, the expansion of the highly anticipated 3rd group in Circle of Friends allows for more intimate encounters in providing activities at the just right level. With this expansion, please help me welcome our 2 new Activity Assistants. Joining the team with a Bachelor of Arts Degree and hoping to incorporate that in to activities, Christiana H, shows high enthusiasm when working with seniors and has a passion for serving others, as you may have observed her previously while working as a Private PAL for our residents. Another familiar face you will see leading the COF, is Zayra C. - who as a server, has taken your orders or brought you a cup of coffee at some point in Josephine's Kitchen. With the promotion Zayra, who is finishing up with her Associates Degree this fall, wishes to ultimately obtain a degree in Gerontology.



Circle of Friends riding the coaster!

# Creative Writing Workshop

The idea behind the workshop is to encourage each participant to start writing, no matter what the category. It is geared so participants will construct a scene(s) in the process. Suggestions include:

- Try to create drama as soon as possible, and maintain it throughout the scene.
- Try to begin as far into the scene as possible.
- The writer can go back in time and forward in time during the same scene.
- Try to use the same point of view or the same character's point of view throughout the scene.
- Can write in first or in third person.
   Whatever is chosen to write, it's supposed to be fun.

# A little bit about the facilitator:

Alan Mindell has been teaching writing for the last couple of years. His workshops have drawn full crowds. His two novels, The Closer and The B Team, were both listed on Amazon bestselling charts. He speaks regularly throughout San Diego County, and makes it a practice to write every day.

### The Village Scene



Beautiful flowers, Lucee W!



Tom R. and Joan M., how'd you do at the casino?



Relaxing afternoon with **Betty C**., Robert, and Susan.



**Barbara M.** and **Bonnie S.** enjoying Happy Hour.



Norma N. and Gloria C. enjoying a glass of wine!



Jean B. and Jim L. are all smiles!



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#### Belmont Village Communities

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