

CAMP FIRE IN PARADISE, CALIFORNIA



Our current photography exhibit is undoubtedly one of the most impressive and deeply moving we have ever had in the CVM Gallery. Leon Cooper shows us on-the-spot photos of the devastating Camp Fire in Paradise, California. He offers it as a tribute, a memorial, for his brother, Donald and Donald's wife, Mary Ann, who lost their home to the raging fire.

The pictures display ruin to everything in the fire's path. Leon apologizes that all he had to capture the pictures he took was a small camera and his iPhone. The photos tell the tale perfectly. Furthermore, a local artist sought to ameliorate the situation by painting murals on the burnt-out remains. He painted images of a gorgeous young woman to signify a return to the previous beauty of the area; to say that there will be a future here after the shock and horror. The artist's name is Shane Grammer, and he did raise hope for a future in the area. Over half of the previous population chose to remain on site. Others were undecided. People perished because of the fire, gone forever.

Manor residents are deeply moved by the show. The day the show went up, I was hardly in the door when a friend called out to go see the show; it was great! Everyone to whom I have spoken is impressed by the professional photography and the number of haunting images. Leon says we are only seeing 5% of the number he has taken. This should be in *National Geographic*. It deals with both the built environment and the natural. Above all, it touches American lives.

We must remember that it is not the camera that creates the image, it is the eye of the photographer. This is one of the best, most engaging exhibitions we have had. It hits home; it does

bring tears. The juxtaposition of a beautiful young woman and a charred and abandoned building is heart-wrenching. Artist and photographer have created a surge of compassion.

Ann Richardson



EVENTS

FRI SEP 20 20th CENTURY PAINTING LECTURES **– MH – 9:30 – 11**

Tory Raggett's second lecture in this series, Moving Toward Abstraction, includes Surrealism, Ashcan, New Modernism, Realism, and Abstract Expressionism – based in Europe and the U.S.

SUN SEP 22 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH (see BB)

WED SEP 25 MONDAY MORNING FORUM – 10:30 **– MH**

Jason Blazakis, Director of Center on Terrorism, Extremism, and Counterterrorism at MIIS, will speak on "Global Terrorism." **NOTE the DAY!**

WED SEP 25 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH (see BB)

THU SEP 26 HALF-FAST WALKERS WON'T

THU SEP 26 HEALTH ADVISORY COMM. – MH – 10:30

Experts will provide Earthquake Preparedness Training, including physical protection during earthquakes, evacuation bags, medication management, and pet preparedness and protection.

FRI SEP 27 20th CENTURY PAINTING LECTURES **– MH – 9:30 – 11**

Tory Raggett's third, and final, lecture in this series, Developing Personal Expression, includes Bay Area Figurative, Post-Painterly Abstraction, Color Field, Op Art, Pop Art, and Contemporary Painting – based mostly in the U.S.

SAT SEP 28 DAYTRIPPERS GO TO RENAISSANCE FAIRE

The Faire takes place at Casa De Fruta in Hollister. Manor Bus leaves at 10 and returns by 4. Details and sign up on BB.

SUN SEP 29 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH (see BB)

WED OCT 2 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH (see BB)

THU OCT 3 HALF-FAST WALKERS PLAN TO WALK - 9

Walkers will head for Scenic Rd. Sign up on BB. Marty Rosen will lead.

Stop by the R.O.S.E. Boutique

New Autumn Arrivals waiting for you !

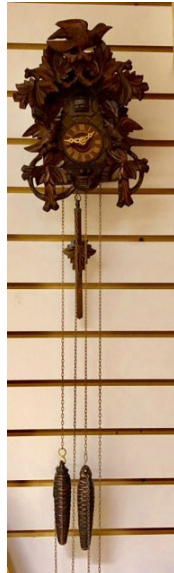


A Unique Cuckoo Clock

New arrival at the R.O.S.E.

A real treasure. . .

Just waiting for you.



What is (are?) Ancillary Services?

Ancillary Services' goal is to enable residents to remain safely independent. In other words, no one wants to move to a higher level of living merely because a chronic backache or mild unsteadiness make it tricky to put on shoes or confidently shower. Ancillary services also offer an extra hand during holiday decorating, clearing out the fridge, providing pet care, doing the laundry or ironing, organizing paperwork, serving as respite company, or completing spring cleaning.



The Ancillary program now includes Certified Nurse Assistant Josefine Ramirez. She is a familiar face to many residents who have encountered her thoughtfulness and ready smile over the past 13 years at our Health Center. This

competent, compassionate caregiver will still serve there, but she is also visiting the homes of a growing number of independent residents. At \$35/hour (\$20/half hour for 4+days weekly repeating service), you will delight in the company of this efficient and helpful friend. Meet Josefine or book an hour of her time, via Clinic x4962 or Josefine's email ancillary@cvmanor.com.

Dana Suess



Attention: New Section on the Website
"Residents' Spotlights"

Biographies of six of our "Noted Residents"
by Jane Upp & Dick Wheat

What fun to read about all their adventures, challenges,
successes, and joys in life!

Website address: cv8545.org

NEW/SOON-TO-BE RESIDENTS

Mary Eldredge & Alik Poulou
Frederick & Alice Glasser
Kenneth Johnson & Marilyn Porter
Janet McDaniel
Thomas & Sonja Hout
Alexander & Jerian Crosby

Marlene Wood
James & Betty Kasson
Martin (Marty) & Karen Wiskoff
Nancy Wright

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

9/20	Julie N.	9/28	Max C.
9/21	Lee C.	9/28	Marcia W.
9/26	Art L.	9/30	Gloria M.
9/27	Anna B.	9/30	Bruce N.
9/27	Nancy M.	9/30	Cindy T.
9/28	Cynthia C.		

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

See also Master Schedule of Ongoing Activities
(C 10,11 Residents' Handbook)

MON	Chair Exercise MH Monday Morning Forum (4th) MH Advanced Exercise MH Duplicate Bridge GR Dominoes GR	8:30-8:45AM 10:30AM 11:00-11:45AM 1:00PM 7:15PM	THUR	Chair Exercise MH Half-Fast Walkers Adv. Water Exercise SP Games GR	8:30-8:45AM 9:00AM 9:30-10:15AM 1:00PM
TUES	Chair Exercise MH Council Meeting (2nd) CR Adv. Water Exercise SP Worship Services (1st) H Communion Services (3rd) HC Ukulele Class WP Lawn Bowling PG Sing For Fun (1st) WP	8:30-8:45AM 9:30AM 9:30-10:15AM 10:30AM 10:30AM 1:00-2:00PM 1:15-3:15PM 2:30PM	FRI	Chair Exercise MH Bookmobile Every other Friday (September 20) Lawn bowling PG Yoga MH Social Bridge GR	8:30-8:45AM 12:45-1:15PM 1:15-3:15PM 3:00-4:00PM 3:00PM
WED	Chair Exercise MH Advanced Exercise MH Communion Service (2nd) WP Mahjong Movie Night MH	8:30-8:45AM 11:00-11:45AM 11:15AM 2:00-4:00PM 7:15PM	SAT	Chair Exercise MH Putting (2nd) PG Ice Cream Social (1st) PL Wine Dinner Group (2nd) PDR	8:30-8:45AM 10:00-11:30AM Noon 5:30PM
			SUN	Movie MH	1:30PM

LOCATION LEGEND

CR	Conference Room(s)	DR	Dining Room	FC	Fitness Center	GR	Game Room
H	Hillcrest	HC	Health Center	HG	Hall Gallery	L	Library
MH	Meeting House	PDR	Private Dining Room	PG	Putting Green	PL	Pavilion Lounge
SP	Swimming Pool	WP	West Parlor	BB	Sign-up and/or Information on Bulletin Board		

LIBRARY NOTES

BOOKS SELECTED FOR OCTOBER 2019

Fiction		Biography	
REASONS TO BE CHEERFUL	Nina Stibbe	SUMMERTIME	Richard Crawford
THE SECRETS WE KEPT***	Lara Prescott	PRINCE ALBERT**	A. N. Wilson
Mystery		Science/Climatology	
THE BITTERROOTS	C. J. Box	DRAWDOWN*	edited by Paul Hawken
ISLAND OF THE MAD*	Laurie King	*Donation **MacCullough Fund ***Wagner Fund	

		NO DVDs CHOSEN FOR OCTOBER 2019	

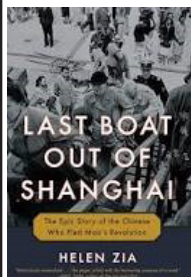
ATTENTION, ALL RESIDENTS

The Library Committee purchases three newspapers each year at considerable expense for all residents, paid for by residents.

For some reason, people have been removing portions of some of the papers in spite of reminders NOT to take them from the Library.

Do we need to cancel our subscriptions?

Dot Williams, Chair



A recent acquisition by our library, *The Last Boat Out of Shanghai*, by Helen Zia is an extraordinary and compelling book.

Highlighting the lives of four children, Zia recounts the history of Shanghai and environs from 1937 through Chairman Mao's Cultural Revolution.

She begins with Bing pulled in a pedicab through a terrified crowd that's trying desperately to reach the ship that will provide an escape from the Communist

invasion of the city. Of all the characters the reader gets to know, only two end up leading satisfying lives, and only two will live in America.

Throughout her story, Zia weaves fascinating cultural details. The book is studded as well with old photographs. Even if not previously a fan of Chinese politics or culture, you're guaranteed to be captivated by this book.

In the acknowledgments, we're told that Bing, the opening character, is the author's mother.

Terry Hanson



Marilyn Porter and Ken Johnson

Their last home was on five acres in the Santa Cruz mountains, just above Los Gatos. Early one morning, as Ken came around one corner of the shed below their house, coming around the other corner, they met - face to face; eye to eye. While he was flash-thinking "what do I do now?" the big mountain lion flicked his long tail, turned around, and sauntered back into the forest. Whew! In the 39 years they lived in this house, Marilyn never saw a mountain lion. But they both experienced the 1989 earthquake. Their whole house twisted and turned, as everything was tossed about. Even the wood stove completely turned around. They slept in their orchard that night, as the earth kept shaking.

Before all this and before marriage, she was living in a Santa Clara apartment complex. One day, the complex had a swimming party. She and her girlfriend went. It was not a fun party for them, as the group there was very cliquy, and no one talked to them. She did notice two men tossing a ball back and forth in the pool. At the next pool party, these same men were back in the pool tossing a ball. She decided she would break into this game. She jumped in the pool and caught the ball. The intended recipient was amazed, but smiled.

Two years later, in 1974, Marilyn and Ken were married in the chapel at Moffett Field, in Sunnyvale, where Ken was an Air Force officer. After four years in a condo in Sunnyvale, they bought a new house in the mountains. Their lives were busy. They adopted two brothers from foster homes, ages 6 and 11. Adam and Aaron have given them 9 grandchildren.

Marilyn was born in Milwaukee. She trained to be a dental assistant at Marquette University and took classes at the University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee. She returned to Marquette's School of Dentistry to train dental students to work with dental assistants. She then taught dental assisting at Rock Valley College, in Rockford, Illinois. Having vacationed twice in California, she knew she wanted to live here. She sent her resume this way and was hired at San Jose City College in 1970. She was an instructor of dental assisting there for 35 years. She also earned a Bachelor's Degree in Vocational Ed and a Master's in Human Behavior. Psychology was also of great interest to Marilyn.

Ken was born in Pampa, Texas, but grew up in Tulsa, as his father was in oil. He earned a BS in Engineering Math from the University of Tulsa and an MS in Applied Math at North Carolina State. As an Air Force officer, he worked for one year in Florida; one year at Thule, Greenland, at a NORAD Ballistic Missiles Early Warning System; and eight years at the Blue Cube (Onizuka Air Force Station), in Sunnyvale. He stayed in the Air Force Reserve and for 11 years helped the city of Sunnyvale with their emergency preparedness. He retired as a major. With all of his learning and work career, Ken holds most dear his ten years sculpting, while he was manager of the art foundry at West Valley College, in Saratoga. He worked in iron, stone, and bronze and exhibited and won several local awards in Los Gatos. This interest started with his first purchase of a bronze sculpture of a Clydesdale by Richard McDonald many years ago. Ken and Marilyn's unit, 15 F, graces many of his works along with Pussywillow and Buff, their real live cats. They chose the Manor over all the other fourteen continuing care places they looked at from California to Colorado. They haven't wasted any time getting to know almost everyone here and becoming a part of our community. You will surely see them around, and we are glad they chose to be here!

Jane Upp

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