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There must be ten thousand valleys as lovely as this in a world so marvelously wrought.

It's just for this one that whenever I'm away, I wish; the special beauty here has me caught.

The river below us was once braided

with many strands.

But now it is strangled and downgraded

by houses and golf courses leaving one band.

We have slayed gorgeous forests and countless trees, overbuilt its hillsides in many places.

Still the valley survives and leaves much to please, and even restored in some cases.

I've seen its creatures, bobcats, coyotes, and a lion or hawks and eagles, ravens, crows, and other birds, always something to look for or to surprise you. I am never bored and frequently lost for words. That I live in this gorgeous valley is something hard for me to comprehend,

yet I cannot help but rejoice and sing

for I see its beauty every day around every bend.





It winds from the sea for twenty miles and up two thousand feet, with hills and mountains up to four. May we learn better to care for and cherish what we have and not long for more.

George M. Wilson

#### FRI AUG 11, 18, 25 EDUCATION COMMITTEE CLASS - 9 - 11 - CRB

Lisa Crawford will return to teach her popular class in Creative Writing. No sign-up required – just be there! (1<sup>st</sup> class was on Aug 4.)

## **SUN AUG 13 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH**

From Here to Eternity is the powerful, realistic story of the lives of American military men (and their women) stationed in peacetime Hawaii in the summer and fall before the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor in late 1941. The successful film, both critically and financially, soon became the second biggest hit of 1953.

#### **MON AUG 14 EDUCATION COMMITTEE CLASS –** MH

Ever-popular geologist Ed Clifton returns to speak on The *Rise and Fall of the Dinosaurs.* 

## **TUE AUG 15 MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY – 7:15**

Saint-Saens, Tarantella for Flute, Clarinet and Piano, Joanna G'froerer, flute, Kimball Sykes, clarinet, and Stephane Lemelin, piano; Rimsky-Korsakov, Miada: Procession of the Nobles, Scheherazade, Op. 35, London Symphony Orchestra under Evgeny Svetlanov, with John Georgiadis, violin

## WED AUG 16, 23, 30 BRIDGE BASICS – 4-5:30 – GR

"Brush Up on Basics" with the one-and-only Lyde. Sign up on BB.

## **WED AUG 16 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH**

*Gifted* Frank Adler (Chris Evans, Bob Evans's grandson) is a single man raising a child prodigy - his spirited young niece Mary - in a coastal town in Florida. Frank's plans for a normal school life for Mary are foiled when the 7-yearold's mathematical abilities come to the attention of Frank's formidable mother, Evelyn, whose plans for her granddaughter threaten to separate Frank and Mary.

#### THU AUG 17 HALF-FAST WALKERS PLAN TO WALK – 9

Walkers will head for Garland Park. Sign up on BB. Marty Rosen will lead.

## **THU AUG 17 DAY TRIPPERS ARE CAR-VIEWING**

Manor bus leaves at 11 for the Concours d'Elegance and returns at 1. Join the Day Trippers to view all the cars on Ocean Ave, in Carmel. Questions? Lari 4818

## MON AUG 21 MON MORNING FORUM – 10:30 – MH

Professor David Reichard, chair of the Division of Humanities and Communication at CSUMB, will speak on "Life In the Age of the Internet." How is our understanding of technology – or lack thereof – affecting how we live?

### <u>SUN AUG 20</u> "<u>SONGS WITHOUT SINGERS" – MH -</u> 3:30

Todd Samra, a Manor favorite, will entertain us with his pianistic skill and sparkling wit. He plans to play works by Gershwin and Berlin and other favorite popular songs for the second portion. The first portion will feature works by Ravel, Debussy, Faure, Brahms, Caccini, and Purcell.

# **TUE AUG 22** MUSIC IN THE LIBRARY – 7:15

Albinoni, *Grave (from the Trumpet Concerto in D)*, with Ludwig Guttler, trumpet, and Friedrich Kircheis, organ; Mendelssohn, Symphony No. 4 in A, Op. 90, "Italian," San Francisco Symphony under Herbert Blomstedt; and Brahms, Cello Sonata No. 1 in E Minor, Op. 38, with Nancy Green, cello, and Friedrich Moyer, piano

## WED AUG 23 MOVIE – 7:15 – MH

Tommy's Honour is set against the early days of golf and the stunning landscape of Scotland. It is based on the intimate and powerfully moving true story of the challenging relationship between "Old" Tom Morris and "Young" Tommy Morris, the dynamic father-son team who ushered in the modern game of golf. As their fame grew exponentially, Tom and Tommy, were touched by drama and personal tragedy

#### THU AUG 24 HALF-FAST WALKERS PLAN TO WALK – 9

Walkers will head for Carmel Meadows. Sign up on BB. Otto Neely will lead.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SUN AUG 27 MOVIE – 1:30 – MH *Rain Man* – When a car dealer, Charlie (Tom Cruise) learns that his estranged father has died, he returns home to Cincinnati, where he discovers that he has an autistic older brother named Raymond (Dustin Hoffman) and that his father's \$3 million fortune is being left to the mental institution in which Raymond lives. Motivated by his father's money, Charlie checks Raymond out of the facility in order to return with him to Los Angeles. The brothers' cross-country trip ends up changing both their lives.

#### SUN AUG 27 DAY TRIPPERS ARE HEADED FOR THE BARNYARD

Enjoy Sunday supper at Allegro Gourmet Pizzeria. Cost of \$15 includes tax and tip. Menu and details on BB.

#### WED SEP 6 DAY TRIPPERS ARE HEADED FOR LULA'S

Tour Lula's Candy Factory, and get a free sample. Bus leaves at 9:30 and returns at noon. Sign up on BB. Questions? Betty Holmgren 4864

#### SAT SEP 16 DAY TRIPPERS ARE HEADED FOR THE FOLLIES

The Santa Cruz Follies present *The Best of Broadway*. Manor bus leaves at 10 and returns by 4:30. Lunch is on your own – lots of eateries near the theater – and the show starts at 1.Cost is \$20. Sign up on BB. Questions? Mary Krecki X4770.

#### **NEW/SOON-TO-BE RESIDENTS** Ellen Latimer McGrath Claude"Skip" & Joan Keyzers William and Julie Obering Susan Nycum Barbara Eisiminger Happy Birthday 8/12 Harry H. Mary S. 8/21 8/17 Ann W. 8/23 Clare R. 8/18 Sophia G. 8/24 Otto N.

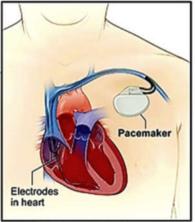
ONGOING ACTIVITIES	
See also <i>Master Schedule of Ongoing Activities</i> (C 8-9 Residents' Handbook)	
MON Chair Exercise MH 8:30-8:45AM	HUR Chair Exercise MH 8:30-8:45AM
Monday Morning Forum (4th) MH 10:30AM	Half-Fast Walkers 9:00AM
Advanced Exercise MH 11:00-11:45AM	Adv. Water Exercise SP 9:30-10:15AM
Duplicate Bridge GR 1:00PM	Games GR* 7:00PM
	RIChair Exercise MH8:30-8:45AM
TUES Chair Exercise MH 8:30-8:45AM	Balance and Stretch MH 9:15-9:45AM
Council Meeting (2nd) CR 9:30AM	Strength Circuit Training FC 11:00-11:45AM
Adv. Water Exercise SP 9:30-10:15AM	Bookmobile 12:45-1:15PM
Worship Services (1st) H 10:30AM	(Every other Friday from August 11)
Communion Service (3rd) HC 10:30AM Lawn Bowling PG 1:15-3:15PM	Lawn Bowling PG 1:15-3:15PM Social Bridge GR 7:15PM
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Music In The Library L 7:15PM	Adv. Water Exercise SP 9:30-10:15AM
WED Chair Exercise MH 8:30-8:45AM	Putting (2nd) PG 10-11:30AM
Balance and Stretch MH 9:15-9:45AM	Wine Dinner Group (2nd) PDR 5:30PM
Advanced Exercise MH 11:00-11:45AM	Music on the Menu DR. 6:00-7:00PM
	SUN Classic Movie MH 1:30PM
Communion Service (3rd) WP 11:15AM	
Movie Night MH 7:15PM	
	CATION 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 Ro	
SP Swimming Pool WP West Parlor	BB Sign-up and/or Information on Bulletin Board
clinic Clips	I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I can't put it
l Plinte Clina	down.
	They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Type-O.
	They told life Thad type Tt blood, but it was a Type of
+	A dyslexic man walks into a bra.
So Long, Farewell, Auf Wiedersehen,	
Good Bye	I do not enjoy computer jokes. Not one bit.
You are important! Your health care	DMC is here any the former manifed
is important to us. <b>Please</b> come to or call	PMS jokes aren't funny, period.
the Clinic with any changes in your health, your medications, information	When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.
about any upcoming procedures or sur-	when you get a bladdel infection, utile trouble.
geries, etc. (regardless who your primary physician is).	Class trip to the Coca-Cola factory. I hope there's no
Your information is vital, because if the Clinic nurses	pop quiz.
aren't aware of changes in your health, we may not be	1 1 1
able to care for you appropriately.	Energizer battery arrested. Charged with battery.
And after almost eighteen years of caring for your	
needs, I will be retiring September first. It has been a	I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
privilege to know and care for each one of you. I will	How do you make hely water? Roil the hell out of it!
miss our conversations and the opportunity to meet your needs. The hardest part of retiring is knowing I	How do you make holy water? Boil the hell out of it!
won't see you, the residents.	Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her
	job because she couldn't control her pupils?
Thanks for the memories	
Connie Hays	C Ser
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For obvious reasons, pacemakers are a subject of great interest to many residents. Fortunately, among our residents is a retired cardiologist who has provided this explanation of the subject.

## UNDERSTANDING CARDIAC PACEMAKERS

Artificial pacemakers for the heart, a relatively recent development, are used for supporting a dysfunctional electrial system of the heart. The dysfunction may result from various disease processes.

Prior to each contraction of heart muscle an electrical stimulus triggers the muscle to contract. Without the stimulus the muscle will not function. If the electrical apparatus is dysfunctional, there may be no contraction, and the heart is at a standstill (heart block). Sometimes the stimulus rhythm is slowed, causing an abnormal slowing of the rate (bradycardia); other times there is abnormal rapid stimulation (tachycardia), or a combination (tachycardia bradycardia syndrome.) These abnormalities cause symptoms (e.g. syncope, weakness, shortness of breath, or palpitations) which can be prevented with a pacemaker.



source: National Heart, Blood and Lung Institute, National Institutes of Healt

Many pathologies (vascular, infectious, metabolic, neoplastic, and immunologic) damage all parts of the heart; however, aging may selectively degenerate the electrical system without altering the rest of the heart. This is probably the most frequent problem needing a pacemaker. When a pacemaker is used in this situation, it generally will not alter a long life.

The artificial pacemaker consists of a pulse generator and a wire to conduct electrical current from the pulse generator to the heart. It also transmits electric current derived from heart cells to the pulse generator. The pulse generator contains microchips and a lithium-iodide battery that potentially lasts ten years. The life of the battery is dependent on its use; totally dependent hearts use more energy, and the battery may only last 5 years. The pulse generator is programmed by an external computer. Wires are positioned in the right atrium and/or the right ventricle, controlling these chambers. If an electrical stimulus is needed, the pulse generator issues its current. If the heart functions spontaneously, the stimulus it produces is recognized and inhibits the pulse generator.

The battery is tested by a telephone recording. A handheld magnet over the pulse generator programs it to a fixed rate. If the rate is significantly reduced, the entire pulse generator is replaced. Modern pacemakers can also record EKG strips covering several weeks. Hearts subject to aberrant fast rhythms may have a defibrillator programmed into the pulse generator. In some situations, the left and right ventricles don't contract synchronously, reducing the output. In that case, a third lead is positioned to stimulate the left ventricle. Reprogramming can cause the two ventricles to contract properly to improve the cardiac output.

Pacemakers can correct symptoms of electrical dysfunction and, in the case of some abnormalities, save lives.

Alfred Yager

