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PALOMAR ESTATES WEST



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MILLENNIUM MEMO

January 2022

Are you excited about 2022? Every New Year brings the hope of better things, but after a couple COVID years, this one feels especially promising, doesn't it?

As always, the past year did have some highlights:

- Palomar West's average home sale price exceeded \$275K once again, with one home selling for \$469K. Your home is a valuable asset!
- We invested around \$150K on Park Upgrades, for such things as the Putting Green (\$23K), Water Shutoff Valves (\$65K), driveways, Clubhouse improvements and, perhaps the one you'll enjoy the most, Bocce!
- We issued more Kudos than I care to count, recognizing some of the many folks who are so generous with their time. This month's honorees are Kate Leslie & Erin Wolf, for their amazing Holiday decorating.
- SPARC, our resident services partner, was limited by COVID for in-person activities, but they did manage to sponsor a couple Lunch & Learns, Free Tax Prep, Medicare Seminars, Tai Chi and a few other programs. SPARC should be even more active next year.
- Devin Pineda, SPARC's Resident Services Coordinator, had her baby daughter in July. We expect her back in Mid-January.
- On a personal note, my wife and I were blessed with two new granddaughters, born one day apart--on April 25 & April 26. For me, that made it a very good year!

Yes, 2021 had its bright spots, but we're looking forward to a better year ahead.

A Possible New Year's Resolution?

You've already resolved to lose weight, exercise more and become a better person. How about one more: resolve to be a safer, more courteous, **slower** driver, at least inside the Park.

While you're at it, maybe you can also resolve not to park on the streets, which are technically Fire Lanes. That's not so hard, is it? Do those things and you will be a better person.

Speaking of which:

Q. What exactly is a New Year's resolution?

A. It's a to-do list for the first week in January.

Have a great 2022!

George Turk

FREE TAX PREP

Palomar West Resident Can DROP OFF YOUR TAXES!

AARP is offering a free tax drop off program where you will bring your social security card, ID, tax documents and any documents about the third economic impact payment to the office and pick them up the following week!

-You must bring all required tax and identification documents

-You must fill out an intake form during your appointment time to put with your documents

-You may only drop off your documents at the designated time you signed up for

-You will be given a time to pick up your documents the following week.

Drop Off Info

Date: February 21, March 14 and April 4

Appointment Times: 9am-12pm and 1-3pm

Location: Palomar East Clubhouse

Each drop off appointment will last 25 minutes and will only be for filling out the intake form and dropping off documents. **Call the office to set up an appointment. SPACE IS LIMITED AND SIGN UPS ARE REQUIRED!**

Please remember to wear your mask and be patient as there may be residents ahead of you.



- We would like to remind all of you dog owners that Dog Park hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.
- Water meters will be read on Monday, January 10th.
- Remember anyone that stays with you 20 consecutive days or 30 days in a calendar year must be registered with the Park Office and be over 35 years of age.
- Prior to listing your mobilehome for sale Homeowners shall inform Park Management of his/her intent to sell and shall furnish information regarding the selling agent .

Street Parking

#9 PARKING

B. In Streets. No parking at any time is allowed in an area designated as a fire lane. All streets are considered fire lanes. Vehicles parked on the street may be towed away at vehicle owner's expense. Homeowner and guest vehicles may be ticketed by management as a warning, and may be towed away thereafter if the violation persists or reoccurs. Contractors/workers performing work on a Homeowner's home (i.e., construction, handyman, house cleaner, etc.) may park on the street temporarily but must be available quickly to remove vehicle should an emergency response vehicle come through. Management assumes no liability for service vehicles that get pushed out of the way or damaged by an emergency response vehicle. Anyone parking a vehicle on the street does so at their own risk.

C. Guest Parking Areas. Guest Parking spaces are reserved for guests' vehicles. A homeowner may not park in a guest parking area for extended periods without prior written approval of Park management. Homeowners may park in guest parking for temporary periods of time when visiting another homeowner or when their guest's vehicles are parked in homeowner's driveway. Whenever possible, Homeowner should notify management if they have reason to temporarily park in guest parking to avoid being towed. The parking spaces at the laundry facility may be utilized during laundry room use or as guest parking spaces.

Pool Passes are designated for guests to use the pool when a homeowner is unavailable to accompany them. So, any visitors should be with a resident or carrying a pool pass. Any resident has the right to question someone they don't recognize.

POOL PASSES



Welcome

The following new residents joined our community in November 2021. Let's all give them a big welcome.

Space 285 - James Weinberg

Space 299 – Mark Martin

Space 381 – Sandra Kelloniemi



Directory Changes

Please make the following additions and corrections to your park directory

DELETE	ADD	PHONE NUMBER
186 Thompson	Caroline Sue Cooper	760-889-2737
388 Thompson	Marc Froning	760-213-3603
388	Nancie Froning	760-670-5606
236	Debra Ragland	714-606-3180
457 Nix	KC & Susie Butler	858-733-3086
99 Olivares	Newell	760-536-9193
299	Mark Martin	760-509-5252
381 Zarnoch	Sandra Kelloniemi	206-795-9029
285 Anderson	Jim Weinberg	760-402-9788
54 Sims	Marjorie Machado	530-305-9813

SCHEDULE FOR RECYCLE PICK-UP - 2022

January 4th January 18th	July 6th July 19th
February 1st February 15th	August 2nd August 16th August 30th
March 1st March 15th March 29th	September 13th September 27th
April 12th April 26th	October 11th October 25th
May 10th May 24th	November 8th November 22nd
June 7th June 21st	December 6th <i>December 20th</i>

Recycle containers must be set at curbside for pick-up by 7:30 a.m.

(Containers may be set out after 4:00 p.m. the day before)

Please remove recycle bins from curb and store out of sight
as soon as possible after pick-up is made.

Call EDCO at **760-744-2700** for missed pick-up, additional pick-ups,
any exchanges of bins or any questions regarding what they will accept.

Household trash pick-up is every Tuesday

All trash must be in plastic bags, tied and placed at curbside no earlier than
4:00 P.M. on the day before the trash is collected.

Please, no bags or bundles over 30 pounds and no more than 7 bags.

Trash removal is provided by our own park maintenance staff.

NO ROCKS AND NO DIRT!

We start picking up trash as early as 7:30 A.M.

2022 METER READ SCHEDULE

Monday, January 10, 2022	Friday, July 8, 2022
Wednesday, February 9, 2022	Monday, August 8, 2022
Wednesday, March 9, 2022	Friday, September 9, 2022
Friday, April 8, 2022	Monday, October 10, 2022
Monday, May 9, 2022	Wednesday, November 9, 2022
Thursday, June 9, 2022	Friday, December 9, 2022

Letter from the PEWRA Board President

Hello Neighbors and Friends. Happy New Year!!

My shout out this month is to Felipe and our Maintenance Crew for decorating the Clubhouse and park entrance for the holidays. The decorations really add to the "Holiday Spirit". I would also like to thank Lisa Kauffman for decorating the tree in the lobby and Herlinda Mahler for decorating the Pavilion. Beautiful job everyone! Thank you.

Thank you, Andy Rowe, and his very talented friends, "The Music Men" for entertaining us with Christmas carols to close out our December Board meeting. What a lovely way to end the meeting and begin the holiday season!

During the month of January, the Pavilion will be renovated with new paint, carpet, and a new sound system. Therefore, there will be no activity in that room until the second week of February, including no Board meeting, Saturday Breakfast, BINGO, or other club meetings. The February Board meeting most likely will be the second Tuesday of the month. We will let you know.

The Pickleball Court conversion project was approved. I don't have all the details yet, but I know many of you are excited about this project!!

The Board will offer "Cooking with Katie" classes beginning February 15th. Watch for a flyer on another page in the Hilltopper.

The Board will begin distributing envelopes for PEWRA dues in January. Dues are \$5 per home. These monies contribute to activities in the park and give you the opportunity to vote if a park vote arises.

Residents continue to ask about EDCO's Green Waste program. You can learn about the program on their website, www.edcodisposal.com. We are still waiting to hear how the program will be rolled out in our park and will share with you as soon as we have more information.

And always, if you are alone or need help, please contact the Park Office or any Board Member. If you have a neighbor who is alone, please call them to say hello and check on them. Stay safe and be well.

Thank you and take care of one another. Lu Ann



RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD

President: LuAnn Foster
Secretary: Clarita Kemp

Vice President: Marcia Brown
Treasurer: Diana Primeau

Members

Chris Craig-Jones Tricia Spears Katie Rodriguez

Board Meeting: 1st Tuesday of the Month at 6:30 pm in the Pavilion

SOCIAL CONNECTION

Linda Swink – Chairperson, Eileen LaLone - Treasurer, Margaret Scotto - Secretary
Cathy Bassett, Herlinda Mahler, Mary Ahart, Simon Spears
Arleen Schlafer, Rusty Bassett, Lynn Chialtas, Merlin Chancellor

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Debbie McQuillan and Mary Wallace- Editors
Lynn Chialtas, Linda Swink, Nancy Sims

READY ADVISORY PANEL

Bryan Cooper, Mary Wallace, Lynn Chialtas
Cindy Palermo, Lee Tydlaska, Liz Larkin

BREAKFAST COMMITTEE

Mikkie Sawyer, LuAnn Foster, Kim Stevenson, Trish Coy,
Helen Lyon, Cathy Bassett, Diana Primeau
Alternate: Wendy Jones, Sheila Miller

GYM COMMITTEE

Larry Brown, Rusty Bassett, Cathy Bassett, Marie McElligott

Fire, Sheriff or Emergency in progress, such as break-ins, health problems or a life-threatening situation call 911.

If you have a non-emergency question or to file a report, please call the San Diego Sheriff Dept at 760-510-5200.

ACTIVITIES DIRECTORY

<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>TIME & DAY</u>	<u>CONTACT</u>	<u>PHONE</u>
Aqua Exercise	9 am M-F	Trish Coy	760-536-9338
Billiards (Men)	9 am Tu	Stan Lindsay	760-598-0582
Billiards (Women)	1:30 pm M	Lynn Chialtas	760-310-1354
Bingo	6:50 Th	Delane Johnson	612-240-4049
Breakfast	1 st Sat 8:30 am	Mikkie Sawyer	760-690-7825
Bridge	1:30 pm M	Connie Krell	760-734-6522
Darts	W 6-8 Game Room	Chuck Thomas	707-799-6555
Dog Park	8 am- 8 pm Daily	Debbie McQuillan	858-663-2822
Feeling Fit	TBD	Danyll Monroe	760-888-7018
Garden Club	1 st M 2 pm	Ann Kreile	760-421-8338
Golf (Men)	8 am Th	Doug Doucette	760-734-1232
Let's Dine Out	Times vary	Christine Parkman	559-779-8380
Library	Open Daily	Eileen LaLone	858-229-8648
Mahjong	1 pm Th	Kim Stevenson	760-703-4872
Medical Rehab Lending Closet	Open as needed.	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551
		Jessie Nieto	408-666-8088
Mexican Train	2 nd and 4 th Tu 4:30 pm	Diana Primeau	442-245-1412
Pickleball	8:00 am to 12:00 noon daily Open Social Play Both Courts	Dana Eads	760-216-7284
	12pm to Sunset: One court Open Play, One court Closed Play (when available)		
	M-W-Fri 8am-10am Pickleball Club Group Play Beginners are welcome!		
Ping Pong	Tu 10:30 am	Nejla Gharajedaghi	760-536-9583
R.E.A.D.Y. Panel Emergency Preparedness		Bryan Cooper	858-342-3335
Shuffleboard	1:30 pm M	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551
Social Connection		Linda Swink	760-855-2008
Tennis	9 am W & Sa	Rob Edwards	760-807-5683
Walking Group	7:30 am W	Ruthann Kirby	760-734-1340

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BIRTHDAYS THIS MONTH

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2	3 Garden Club 2 pm	RECYCLE 4 Men's Billiards 9am	5 Darts 6-8 pm	6 Mahjong 1pm	7	8
9	10 Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	11 Men's Billiards 9am Mexican Train 4:30pm	12 Darts 6-8 pm	13 Mahjong 1pm	14	15
16	17 Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	RECYCLE 18 Dog Park sprayed @9am Men's Billiards 9am	19 Darts 6-8 pm	20 Mahjong 1pm	21	22
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Breakfast

There will be no breakfast in January due to remodeling. We would like to recognize the wonderful speakers from the December breakfast.



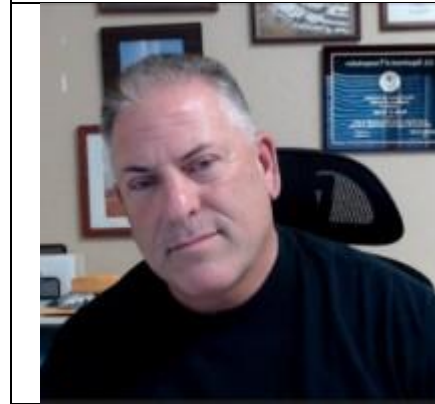
Rebecca Jones
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Mike Sannella
Director- Vallecitos Water District



Jordan Marks
Taxpayer Advocate -
Assessor/Recorder/County Clerk



Kevin Karpé
San Marcos Representative to the Palomar
Airport Advisory Committee, Principal, at
Diverse Vector Aviation Consulting LLC

LET'S DINE OUT --- IN JANUARY 2022

We'll start the New Year out real close to home. Come and see what your Fortune cookie reveals for the 2022 New Year.

Where: **Panda Garden San Marcos**
742 S. Rancho Santa Fe Rd.
San Marcos, Ca. 92078
(Right next door to the CVS store)

When: **January 10, 2022**
Monday at 5:00 PM

Join us for some fun and delicious Chinese food. Call or text Jesse Nieto, **408-666-8088** to make your reservation. Let me know if you need transportation. Please include your space number when making your reservation.

Happy New Year!
Jesse

ATTENTION : PEW ARTISTS

Due to the renovations being made to the clubhouse during the month of January, all paintings need to be removed from the walls by Wednesday, Jan. 5.



New paintings will be hung on Wednesday, Feb. 2. Mark your calendars! Please call Ann Kreile (760 421-8338) if you have any questions.

Our friend and neighbor, Fran Miller passed away October 22.

On behalf of my mother, I would like to thank her many friends for stopping by bringing cards, food, and flowers . She lived in PEW since 2007. Her family is very grateful for your condolences.

Thank you.
Sheila Miller.



The Garden Club

Hi gardening lovers! We met again on December 6th, and we welcomed a worker from County Vector Control to talk to us about those pesky mosquitoes ! Since about 2014 we've been getting the Aedes (very tiny mosquitoes) in our area. They are ankle biters – day or night - and can sneak into your houses too! They can lay eggs in ¼ inch of water! So, clean out your bird baths, containers, or anything that holds water - - at least once a week if you can. If you have a fountain or a little pond, you can get mosquito fish for free from the county Vector Control to eat the mosquitos!

For protection, use a lotion on your skin with at least 5% DEET to keep them from biting you. My old fashioned go-to method is Avon Skin-So-Soft lotion or spray. There are other essential oils you can use as well, like oil of lemon eucalyptus, that will deter them from biting. Lots of luck. Mosquitoes can sure ruin a nice day or evening gathering.

Next, we learned a bit about another destructive pest. What can make it through an opening the size of a quarter? Yep, you got it, a .at! Mice can get a hole that is the size of a dime. The Vector Control will come out to inspect your property and will give you one free trap, but you have to call a private company to eradicate them. If you have droppings - or rat grease (which they leave from their bodies on surfaces where they run along), these are signs you have rats. Also, remove any fallen fruit from the ground and keep heavy vegetation away from your house or fences. Roof rats can jump from 4-6 feet from a tree to a roof. They can get into homes through gaps under doors, through open vents and through missing crawl space covers. Make sure you have closed off any holes you know of, from the outside with steel wool. If you think you may have a rat problem, call Vector Control at 1-858-694-2888.

The Weidners Nursery Tour was a hit! We learned that they don't propagate their own plants. They get them from Kenya and Ethiopia! Who knew? Remember they have many plants and certainly a lot of Poinsettias for the holidays. We will look into visiting Waterwise Botanicals in Bonsall and also Pearson Gardens and Herb Farm, in Vista.

By Deb Stevenson



The Garden Club's Visit to Weiners Garden Nursery



JESSE AND RUSTY'S

SUPERBOWL PARTY

FEBRUARY 13TH DOORS OPEN 2.30PM
ON THE NEW BIG-SCREEN
AT THE CLUBHOUSE

INFORMAL CHILI COOKOFF – IS YOURS BETTER THAN RUSTY'S?
BRING IT ON!

BYOB AND SNACKS

[Please sign up](#) LIMITED TO FIRST 100 PEOPLE

Dog Park News

A few quick notes.

- Please respect park hours of 8 am to 8 pm and be courteous of our neighbors and help keep the noise down.
- The park is closed on the third Tuesday of each month from 9 am to noon due to spraying for flies, spiders, and other crawling critters . I will put this on the calendar to remind you.
- Do not walk dogs in the public area, such as the pool area or mini golf area, or on anyone else's lawn. If your dog insists on only pooping on grass, then come to the dog park.
- Do not discard dog waste anywhere other than dog park and your own trash.

Thank you for your cooperation. Debbie McQuillan

The Craft Fair

This year's craft fair was a huge success. We had 31 sellers and 251 customers. This wouldn't have been possible without the wonderful volunteers. To the Office girls, Felipe's crew, Diana, Kim, Christine, Herlinda, Rusty and any I may not be aware of . I want to give a heartfelt thank you. I know the sellers would thank you also!

Ruthann Kirby



THANK YOU!

I do not have enough words to express how thankful I am for all of you during my two surgeries in December. Your prayers, thoughts, cards, food delivery and caring attitude just continue to prove that Palomar Estates West is the best place to live. I am so grateful for all of you.

Claudeen Lindsay



INTERVIEW WITH A PEW WISE ELDER

ROGER FRICHETTE

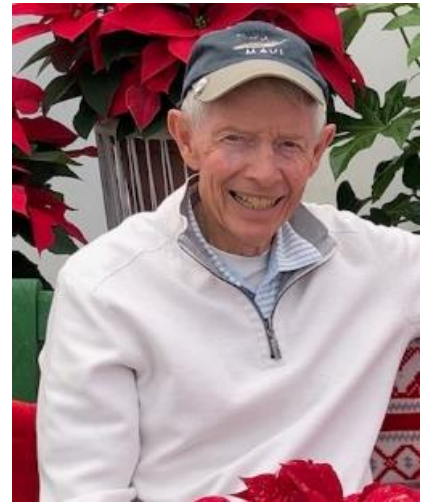
interviewed by Nancy Sims

Good afternoon, Roger. Thank you for meeting with me.

You are very welcome; thank you for coming.

Let's begin with demographics: When and where were you born? In Ellensburg, Washington, a small town in central Washington State, on March 24, 1937.

Did you grow up there? No, after living in a logging camp called Cabin Creek, near Ellensburg, for a year or so, where my Dad was a logger, we moved to Tacoma, WA where both of my parents went to work for Todd Shipyards in support of the WWII effort. I was an only child; my parents divorced when I was 3 years old. My Mom remarried a few years later.



Did you keep in touch with your father? Yes, I visited him in the summers; he was a commercial fisherman in the winter, and during each summer he was a fire warden around the Hoh River on the Olympic Peninsula.

And your Step-father? He was a body/fender man, and eventually became a welder at the Naval Shipyard in Bremerton.

Your education? I graduated from Stadium High School in 1955, went to Washington State University in Pullman, and graduated in 1960 with a Bachelor's degree in Psychology. I went through the ROTC (Reserved Officer Training Corps) program in college and became a Commissioned Officer in the Air Force. As a Second Lieutenant, I was assigned to navigation training in Waco, Texas. It was a 10 month program with 20 other college graduates from all over the country in each class. Upon graduation, I was assigned to Mather AFB in Sacramento, CA for advanced navigational training. Upon graduation from that program, I became an instructor there from 1961-1965.

While I was in undergrad at WA State University, I had some wonderful summer jobs that provided enough money to help pay my way through college.

In **1955** I worked as a dishwasher at Paradise Lodge on Mount Rainier; in **1956** I worked for the Kaiser Aluminum & Chemical Company in Tacoma, the hottest, dirtiest job I had ever encountered. But the pay was good at \$2.15 per hour!! That job convinced me to continue my college education.

In **1957** I worked in Martha's Vineyard as a dishwasher and baker's helper. That was a fascinating experience, since it was on the east coast, where I had never been and in a wealthy resort area, on an island off Cape Cod, Massachusetts.

I was back in Pullman, WA in **1958**, painting radiators for the University Maintenance shop.

Finally, I worked as a switchman for the Southern Pacific Railroad in **1959**. My grandfather had done this work, and worked his way up to become President of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen Union.

I graduated in **1960** with a Bachelor's Degree in Psychology and a commission in the AF.

How did you meet your wife? We met in 1962 on a blind date through mutual friends in Sacramento, while I was stationed at Mather AFB.

When did you marry? I married Barbara in 1963; we had 2 children: Laura was born in 1964, and lives in Orinda, CA with her husband and 4 children. Steve was born in 1966, and lives in Eugene, OR with his spouse, two children and one grandchild. **Great!**

Okay, we'll get back to the children later, because I know you have more to tell us about your career. From Sacramento I went to Griffiths AFB in Rome, NY where I was assigned a Navigator position on a B-52 Bomber. During that time, we had a variety of assignments and were stationed for short periods of time in Guam, Okinawa, and Thailand. While stationed in Rome, I received a master's degree from Syracuse, University in Higher Education Administration.

WOW! Quite a military career. Then what?

On July 1, **1970**, I left the Air Force; my wife, two kids and I got in our 1965 Buick with no seat belts, no booster chairs, and no A/C and drove from Rome, NY to Corvallis, Oregon where I had secured a job with Oregon State University as Assistant Director of Student Housing. I was there until 1984. The salary I earned during that first year was \$9400. While there, I earned a Ph.D. In Higher Education Administration.

In **1984** Barb and I moved to Arcadia, where I became the first Director of Student Housing at California State University, Los Angeles. A fascinating and challenging position! I especially enjoyed the diversity of the student body. The job began on July 1. Our daughter had graduated high school in 1982 and was going to be a sophomore at U of Oregon. So, we decided as a family that the kids would stay in Oregon. Our son had just graduated high school two weeks before we left for Los Angeles. It was very difficult for us to leave both of our kids in an apartment in Corvallis as we headed south for a new job. Aren't the kids supposed to go away to college and leave their parents behind???

In **1991**, while working at Cal State LA, I was asked to perform consulting work for the Housing Department at Cal State Northridge, north of LA in the San Fernando Valley, a program that was having severe financial difficulties. I helped re-organize the department, and subsequently was hired as the new Director. It was another excellent, challenging job, with a super staff and wonderful students. And, it was the highlight of

my career in student housing. Bringing order and organization out of chaos was more fun than you can imagine. Then, I retired in 2001.

Where did you go? By this time, my kids were grown; son Steve was in Eugene where he started a business renting rooms to students, which I helped him with for ten years, until 2011. My dear wife, Barbara, passed away in 2011, after 48 years of marriage, so I sold our house in Eugene and then became truly retired, spending summers in Central Oregon, and winters in Palm Desert, CA. I loved both places, and enjoyed hiking, playing golf, and socializing.

Let's get back to your children; I have a feeling they are also interesting people. Yes, indeed they are.

My daughter, Laura, graduated from U of Oregon and now lives with her husband in Orinda, CA. They have 4 children, the oldest of whom recently graduated from San Diego State and is now working for Oracle Corp. in Austin, TX. Their second oldest daughter is a senior at U of Oregon majoring in Psychology with a minor in Global Health. She recently spent 2 months in Accra, Ghana, in Western Africa, in a medical clinic. As you can imagine, she learned a great deal from that experience. Their third child is a sophomore at U of Oregon and the fourth is a senior in high school. A very active family.

My son is still in Eugene, where he owns a successful construction company. His wife, Achelle also works for the company as an interior design specialist. Their older son, Adam, graduated from the University of Oregon and is now a partner in the construction company. Their younger son is a junior at U of Oregon, and will go to Copenhagen, Denmark for his Junior Year Abroad.

How did you meet our dear friend and neighbor Ann Kreile? After leaving Eugene and living in central Oregon and Palm Desert for several years, I decided it was time to start dating and hopefully meet another partner. In 2018 I went online to a dating site, and there I found the beautiful and talented Ann! We conversed online for a couple months and decided to meet in person. I drove from Palm Desert to San Marcos to have lunch with her on November 11, 2018, at the Fish House Vera Cruz. I liked the restaurant very much but liked Ann even more!! After 3-4 months of dating, she invited me to move in with her here at PEW, and I'm so fortunate to have done it. We both love it here and have many wonderful friends.

What activities do you enjoy? I still love to play golf; have 5-6 golf buddies in the complex and we go all over North County to play the game. I also belong to the Encinitas Ranch Men's Club and play there periodically.

Do you have a favorite course? I like them all, but I'd choose The Crossings and Encinitas Ranch as my favorites. I also love to play pickle ball here, take long walks with Ann, help her with the Garden Club, reading, watching Netflix movies, and Amazon Prime series are other activities I enjoy.

What is your favorite hobby? "I enjoy watching the human comedy passing before my eyes every day, especially while I'm playing golf." **WOW! Is this a direct quote? Very profound.** Not a quote, just an observation.

What do you like to read? Mysteries by James Lee Burke, Michael Connelly, Dick Francis, and others; P.D. James, Elizabeth George, and Jeff Shara. So many books, so little time. Audible books are also good ways to shorten long distance travel.

What do you watch on Netflix and Amazon? We like Masterpiece Theater and British movies and series set in the 1800s. **Did you like Downton Abbey?** Loved it, also Upstairs/Downstairs.

How about travel? Yes, Ann and I have done a bit. We plan to go to Banff and Lake Louise in Canada next year, if the pandemic will allow.

What is your favorite place in the world? First, Central Oregon. The summers there are spectacular. Rivers, mountains, lava flows, golf, hiking, farmer's markets, and so on make it a wonderful place to spend the summer. Second, San Marcos, for all of the obvious reasons.

What would your friends say about you? You'd be better off asking them for an answer to that question!!

And your kids/ grandkids? They'd say I was thoughtful, supportive and concerned about their future and their welfare. And, that I try to continue to be relevant in their lives.

What is the secret to your longevity? Mainly a genetic predisposition; I exercise regularly, eat well, and of course falling in love again at age 81 is certainly a bonus. "Yes" says Ann.

Any words of wisdom for us? Be kind, considerate, and thoughtful always. Care about the welfare of others. As John Prine says in his song, "Say Hello in There" to those less fortunate.

Thank you so much for your time and for sharing your most interesting life experience .

My pleasure. Thank you for taking the time.

Buddha says, "Be safe everyone!"

