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MILLENNIUM MEMO July 2022

It is that time of year again when our President, George Turk, takes a leave from writing these monthly reports. However, have no fear. I'm Stacee Price, Director of Resident Services for SPARC, and I'll be your Memo-writer this month.

Since George gave me this platform, I thought I'd tell you a little about what we've been up to and what we're planning to bring to Palomar West next.

SPARC stands for Services and Programs Assisting Residents in Our Communities. SPARC aims to provide health, wellness, and education resources to benefit Palomar West residents. Most of these programs are free to attend, and sometimes we give great prizes and offer food and/or refreshments!

Some recent examples include safety seminars, art classes, resource fairs and Medicare presentations.

Last month, SPARC held a Health and Wellness Resource Fair, which featured 15+ educational vendors, health screenings, live music, lunch, and raffle prizes. If you missed this event, worry not, as we have other great programs coming this summer!

As the summer season begins to roll in, SPARC is preparing special events for your community, such as a Smartphone Training Class (7/13) and the Fruit Picking Program (7/12).

Do you want to find out more about future SPARC programs? The best way to do that is to visit your community clubhouse and check for a posted bulletin or review your monthly magazine. We look forward to seeing you at our next event.

George Asked Me to Remind You...

It's Income Certification time. You know the drill by now: check a few boxes, fill in some blanks and get it back to us. We use your forms to generate property tax savings, every dollar of which we spend on upgrading your Park.

Palomar West gets <u>so</u> much benefit for just a couple of moments of your time. Thank you for your cooperation.

Final Thought

Last month, for Father's Day, I gave my dad \$100 and told him to buy something that would make my life easier. He used it to buy a present for my mom.

-Stacee Price

ATTENTION ALL RESIDENTS!!!

Palomar West

Safety & Security Lunch / Discussion

WEDNESDAY JULY 27th at 12:00 p.m. in our CLUBHOUSE

THE SAFETY OF EVERYONE IN OUR COMMUNITY IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

LET'S ALL GET INVOLVED

ANDY LEOPOLD and America's most trusted home and medical security company, ADT, is bringing our community together for a security & safety discussion and PIZZA LUNCH !!!!

EVERYONE is invited and EVERYONE should be involved in this cause. LUNCH and SECURITY MATERIALS ARE FREE!

Andy will also introduce us to the latest medical and fire monitoring technology.

- 1. Live two-way voice communication with ADT's trained professionals.
- 2. Introducing Easy to use *One-Touch* medical monitoring panic pendant.
- 3. Complete range anywhere inside or around your home.
- 4. Introducing ADT's new Doorbell camera.

Topics of discussion

- 1. Covid "Schemes & Scams"
- 2. Fire safety talk and checklist
- 3. Home security talk and checklist.
- 4. Introducing ADT's Doorbell Camera

R.S.V.P. by signing up in the CLUBHOUSE

SEE EVERYBODY JULY 27th

Need help getting fruit picked from your tree?



Sign up in the clubhouse to be added to our fruit picking day with Senior Gleaners! Only citrus fruits or apples can be picked!





Fruit Picking Date: July 12th Time: 8:30am-3:00pm The volunteers will be coming during this time frame window!

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Having difficulty hearing or seeing on your smartphone? Attend a FREE online training and make your smartphone work better for you!

Learn how to:

- Make your smartphone louder and easier to hear
- Send & receive text messages
- Connect Bluetooth devices
- Operate the basic functions of your smartphone... and much more!



This is a two-part online training. To participate you will need a computer, internet service and a valid email address. iPhone and Android smartphone trainings are offered on the following dates/times:

iPhone

Wednesday, July 13 2022 9:00 - 11:00 Android

Wednesday July 13 2022 12:00 - 2:00

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Space is limited, register now!

Contact: Please sign up in the clubhouse by July 7th

PALOMAR ESTATES WEST

- Recycle Pick Up will be delayed one day because of the Monday 4th of July Holiday. Please do not put your recycle cans at curbside until after 4 PM on Tuesday for a Wednesday pick-up.
- Don't forget to pick up after your dog.
- Dogs should be kept in the streets and not around the clubhouse or any common grounds.
- The strip of land that stretches along Hibiscus and wraps around towards the RV lot is not designated for dog relief. This area backs up to homes in another Park and they are voicing negative
- Dogs should not be on any homesite other than your own, unless invited.
- One more thing!
 DON'T FORGET TO
 PICK UP AFTER YOUR
 DOG.

Manager's Mentions

JULY 2022

INCOME CERTIFICATION FORMS

Remember that annual completion of this form is a requirement of your Park rental agreement. If you turned your form into the Park Office by May 31st, we put 4 raffle tickets into a drawing so you might win one of two \$50 Gift Certificates. If it took you until June 15th you got 3 chances put into the pot for the drawing. Forms turned in between June 15th and June 30th will have 2 chances to win. After the 30th of June you will still get 1 chance at the gift certificate drawing. It's quick. It's easy. Turn it in with your July rent payment and you're done for another year. It can be completed in under a minute. Don't put it off. It only takes 1 ticket to win.

Annual Charge in July

This month you will notice two additional \$2 charges on your monthly rent statement. These items appear only in July of every year so you will not see them again until next year. The charge marked HCD is a small portion of the amount that Housing and Community Development requires the Park to pay every year to cover the charge of health and safety inspections that they conduct. The Weights and Measures charge is a portion of the fees that the Park pays for annual replacement of water meters to comply with regulations. So I will be writing this article again next July. Have a great year.

Holiday Schedule

Here we go – we are into the summer holiday schedules and a few extra days that the office will be closed. The Park Office will be closed on Monday, July 4th in observance of the Holiday. Even though the office will be closed, Doug will be on duty to open the clubhouse, check pool chemicals and be on call for any Park emergency. Hope to see everyone at the BBQ on the 4th. Don't forget to sign up. Stay safe. Have a Happy 4th of July.

FROM THE PEW BOARD

Hi Palomar Estates West:

My name is Tricia Spears, and I have been elected to be the new President of your Residents Association Board. I would like to introduce you to the new board members, but before doing so I must first give thanks to Lu Ann Foster and Marcia Brown.

Lu Ann and Marcia have served as President and Vice President for the past five years, remaining on the board an extra year to help with the 2021/2022 new board transition after Covid shut everything down for so long. I can't stress enough how much we have appreciated their guidance and support during this past year. They will be missed.

After a parkwide vote, I am pleased to announce that Jo Gehringer, Cathie Byrd, and Garry Larson are your new board members. I look forward to working with them and getting to know them better. Please welcome them all.

The first board meeting with the 2022/2023 board will take place on July 5th @6:30. Because this is the first meeting with the new board, and with such a short timeline between the June and the July board meetings, I anticipate this being a rather short meeting. We do invite you all to attend, however.

Next month's letter will be a bit more newsy, but because of the timing with the new board getting together and the Hilltopper submission deadline having already passed, I just wanted to give you a quick update.

Speaking for the entire new board, we look forward to serving you.

Cheers,

Tricia Spears

RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION BOARD

President: Tricia Spears Secretary: TBA Vice President: TBA Treasurer: TBA

<u>Members</u>

Joan Ellen "Jo" Gehringer, Garry Larsen, Cathy Byrd Katie Rodriguez, Clarita Kemp, Diana Primeau 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, Cathie Byrd Arleen Schlafer, Rusty Bassett, Merlin Chancellor

HILLTOPPER COMMITTEE

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

READY ADVISORY PANEL

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

BREAKFAST COMMITTEE

Mikkie Sawyer, LuAnn Foster, Kim Stevenson, Trish Coy, Helen Lyon, Cathy Bassett, Diana Primeau, Karen King 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 lifethreatening 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

		CONTACT	PHONE	
ACTIVITY	TIME & DAY			
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	Gerri Harper	760-500-8681	
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	Th 6-8 Game Room	Chuck Thomas	707-799-6555	
Dog Park	8 am- 8 pm Daily	Debbie McQuillan	858-663-2822	
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	Jesse Nieto	408-666-8088	
Library	Open Daily	Eileen LaLone	858-229-8648	
Mahjong	1 pm Th	Kim Stevenson	760-703-4872	
Medical Rehab Lending	Open as needed.	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551	
Closet		Jesse Nieto	408-666-8088	
Mexican Train	2 nd and 4 th Tu 4:30 pm	Diana Primeau	442-245-1412	
Movie Night/ Dinner &	Dates Vary	Simon Spears	760-583-1549	
Dance Nights				
Pickleball	8am-10am MWF	Margaret Scotto	714-501-4345	
	Pickleball Club Group play			
	Beginners are welcome!			
Ping Pong	Tu 10:30 am	Nejla Gharajedaghi Bryan Cooper	760-536-9583	
R.E.A.D.Y. Panel	E.A.D.Y. Panel		858-342-3335	
Emergency Preparedness	ergency Preparedness		619-887-0700	
Shuffleboard	1:30 pm M	Rusty Bassett	619-301-9551	
Silver Sneakers	10 am MWF @	Dean Kelsey 760-519-190		
@ Rancho Vallecitos	Rancho Vallecitos Rancho Vallecitos			
Social Connection		Linda Swink	760-855-2008	
Tai Chi	9-10 am Th			
Tennis	9 am W & Sa	Rob Edwards	760-807-5683	

Hilltopper submissions to <u>pewhilltopper@gmail.com.</u> All submissions must be submitted by the 10th of the month.

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						Pit Party 7pm
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	July 4 th Parade 10:00 am	Men's Billiards 9am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Tai Chi 9-10 am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	
	July 4 th BBQ 11:30 am	Board Mtg 6:30 pm		Mahjong 1 pm Bingo 6:50 pm Darts 6-8 pm		Pit Party 7pm
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Hilltopper Submissions Due	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Men's Billiards 9 am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Tai Chi 9-10 am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	
	Women's Billiards 1:30 pm Dine Out 5 pm	Mexican Train 4:30 pm	Movie Night- "Ford vs. Ferrari" 6:30 pm	Mahjong 1pm Bingo 6:50 pm Darts 6-8 pm		Pit Party 7pm
17	18	19 Recycle	20	21	22	23
	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Dog Park sprayed @9am Men's Billiards	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Tai Chi 9-10 am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	
		Cooking w/Katie 4:00 pm		Mahjong 1 pm Bingo 6:50 pm Darts 6-8 pm		Pit Party 7pm
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Men's Billiards 9 am	Silver Sneakers 10 am @RV	Tai Chi 9-10 am		
	Women's Billiards 1:30 pm	Mexican Train 4:30pm		Mahjong 1 pm Bingo 6:50 pm Darts 6-8 pm	Happy Hour 3-5 pm Games 5-9 pm Potluck and Dancing	Pit Party 7pm
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BREAKFAST



Summertime is upon us, as our days stretch longer and the sun shines brighter.

Let's celebrate the warmth of this season - - - together at our monthly breakfast.

July 2nd - 8:30 am

Be sure to sign up. Hope to See you there! Mikkie

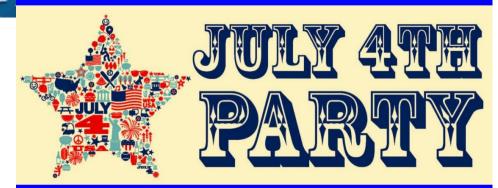


Car Parade

10.00 – 10.30am, Line up at Clubhouse One lap of the park with music, horns honking, bubble-blowing and plenty of waving

Dress up yourselves and your cars For more information contact Rusty 619 301 9552 Please sign-up

The Social Connection Presents



Celebrate Independence Day

11.30am~ 2.30pm

At the Pavilion, Pool and outside the Gym -Shuffleboard, Corn Hole, Bocce Ball, and Music - Hot Dogs, Hamburgers and Beans - Sides include Chips and Coleslaw - Dessert

Free to Residents \$5.00 for guests Guests limited to one per resident Capacity limited to 150 people – sign-up NOW! Sign-up and payment deadline June 26th Include the names of all people Check-in on arrival to get wrist bands NO sign-up means NO wrist band = NO food



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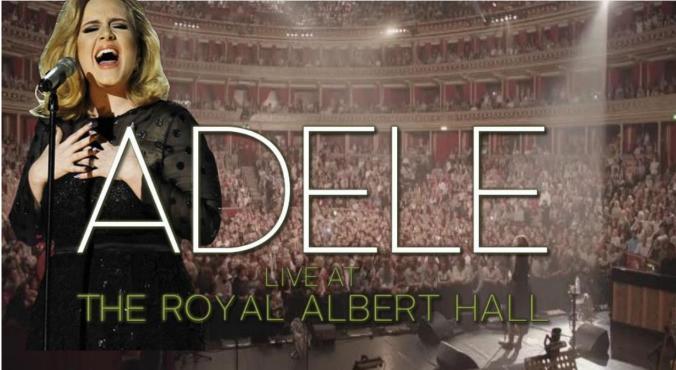


Friday July 29th

Free to All Residents and Guests - Sign-up required

3.00 - 5.00 outside the gym, Bocce Ball, Shuffleboard, Cornhole, Music Charcoal BBQ's - Bring your own food 5.00 – 9.00 at the Pavilion – Potluck, Music and Dancing 7.00 on the big-screen – Adele –Live at the Royal Albert Hall

Come and join us for 6 minutes or 6 hours



CITY OF SAN MARCOS ANNUAL 4TH JULY FIREWORKS FUNDRAISER

Dear Donors,

Thank you for your generous donations to the City of San Marcos Fireworks Fundraiser last year. As you are aware, the Ariel Fireworks show was unexpectedly cancelled July 4, 2021, due to pyrotechnic difficulties. The safety of our community was of the highest importance, and we greatly appreciated your understanding and support.

The City of San Marcos has hosted one of the most spirited fireworks shows in North San Diego County for more than 45 years. We know how beloved this event is to our entire community. The fireworks show is made possible thanks to the generous donations from residents and businesses like yourself. The historical success of this annual event is a direct reflection of the community that supports it.

Please accept our sincere apologies for last year's show, that was limited to a few small low level fireworks from Bradley Park.

Rest assured, your donations will roll over to this year's show, which will be spectacular.

Sincerely, Buck Martin, Director of Parks & Recreation, City of San Marcos

*Special Notation from:

Pat Williams #8 P.E.W., Committee Member City of San Marcos 4th July Fireworks Fundraiser Committee

There will be no Fundraiser this year at Palomar Estates West, because of the rollover of your donations from last year. However, we found out that the price of Fireworks has increased 50% for this year, just like everything else has increased in price.

So, if you feel inspired to make a small donation this year to help with the increase, you can mail a donation check to:

City of San Marcos Fireworks Fund 1 Civic Center Dr., San Marcos, Ca. 92069

BE SURE YOU WRITE ON TOP OF CHECK: Palomar Estates West & your space # All donations are tax deductible.

Our PEW Motto is: "Pride & Patriotism in Community & Country is Alive & Well at P.E.W."



LET'S DINE OUT FOR DINNER

Time to revisit the "Panda"

WHERE: Panda Garden 742 S. Rancho Santa Fe Road San Marcos CA 92078

WHEN: Monday, July 11, 2022 @5:00 PM

Call or text Jesse Nieto (408-666-8088) to make your reservation and please leave your space number along with your name. Let me know if you need transportation. See you there! Jesse



CORRECTED DATES

for the PEW

SUMMER PIT PARTIES!!!

WHAT: COME & SOCIALIZE WITH PEW PALS AT THE POOLSIDE FIREPIT.

NO SIGN UP...JUST SHOW UP! Bring your own drinks and snacks

DATES: ON Saturdays starting June 4 UNLESS there is a PEW event in the Pavillion

TIME: STARTS AT 7P

GARDEN CLUB

Garden Club will meet on June 27th at 2pm at the clubhouse.We hope to see you all there.

Palomar West Cooking Class

Come join us to learn about ways you can cook healthy and delicious meals on a reasonable budget!

Date: Tuesday, July 19th Time: 4pm-5:30pm Location: Palomar West Clubhouse

Recipes Demo: Trader Joe's Favorites and Yours Sign up at the clubhouse to get a spot for this free, tasty class! Sign-up List goes up on 1st of each month. Class max of 25

June Recipes for Cooking with Katie

Asian Green Bean Salad	Fiesta Salad	Pesto Pasta Salad
1 bag Haricots Verts	1 can Black Beans	1 bag Rainbow Fusilli
1 Bag Broccoli Slaw	1 can Pinto Beans	1 jar bruschetta
1 container "fresh" edamame	1 can Kidney Beans	1 container "fresh" pesto
1 bottle Toasted Sesame Dressing	1 jar Corn Chili Salsa	1 container crumbled Feta
1 bag sliced Honey Almonds	1 container "fresh"	Cheese
	tomatillo Salsa	1 jar marinated Artichoke Hearts
Snip corner of bag of beans.	½ bunch Cilantro	1 cup roasted Pine Nuts
Microwave for 2 minutes. Cool.	1 Avocado	
Remove beans from bag and cut into		Cook pasta according to
1" pieces. In a bowl combine beans,	Drain beans and rinse	directions. Chill. Add
slaw, and edamame. Add desired	well, mix corn chili salsa.	Bruschetta, Pesto, and chopped
amount of dressing and toss. Chill	Add tub of Tomatillo	Artichoke Hearts then mix well.
before serving, sprinkle with	salsa. Before serving add	Before serving add crumbled
almonds.	desired amount of	feta and desired amount of pine
	chopped cilantro and	nuts.
	chopped avocado.	

PEW WISE ELDERS

George Krell, Part 2: Education and Work Years

Greetings, George. Let's talk about your life after the War up until your retirement, from about 1946 to 1997. Yes, after World War II, I was discharged in 1946, a bit later than the rest of the soldiers because I was involved in transporting the men and women home.

What did you do after discharge? I took full advantage of the G.I. Bill, went to the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, and earned a B.A. degree in Psychology. Then I went to Columbia University in New York City and received a Master's degree in Social Work. The School of Social Work was then located in a huge, beautiful mansion that had been the residence of Andrew Carnegie. Columbia University had the privilege of using the mansion for eight years; it was a beautiful place to learn; the mansion is now a museum in the heart of Manhattan.



George in professional garb circa 1970, Boston

After Columbia, did you go to work? Yes, in 1952 I was employed as a Social Worker for two years in Ohio. I then transferred to Ohio State University for a special program in Community Organization for Administrators.

Where did you meet your lovely wife, Connie? At Ohio State in 1954. She was working on her Master's degree in Social Work, and we had some classes together. We fell in love and married in 1955. Any children? No.

Did you stay in Ohio? No, after we completed our education, we moved to Fresno, California for my job in the Health and Welfare Community Council, a private agency for the city and county of Fresno. Soon I got a job in the San Francisco Bay area, including Oakland, for an agency called the California Association of Health and Welfare.

What was your position? I was in charge of planning for the citizens of the region, bringing in people from all over the State. I visited several branches throughout the State, and I served as an advisor to the agencies. Did you do grant writing? Oh yes, we wrote many grants for the health and welfare of the people. I went to Sacramento as a representative for the various agencies for Community Planning Councils. I brought in several volunteers from around the State to Sacramento to talk about the programs and give the rationale for their necessity.

You did a lot of important, impactful work for the citizens. I agree; In 1966, the Governor of California, Pat Brown, appointed me to set up the State Medicaid system in the Department of Health and Welfare; it's now called MediCal. A note of explanation: there were two types of plans: the first was the *required* plan, in which each state was required to implement by law; the second was the *optional* plan, where each state could choose any number of plans, or none. The Federal government would give the states extra funds for the optional programs. Needless to say, the more liberal states chose many optional plans to help their citizens who qualified. Governor Brown asked me to offer as many programs as was feasible; I made it happen.

I remember an interesting anecdote: Governor Brown sent me to Carson City, Nevada to talk with officials, because the State of NV was sending the people to CA who lost all their money

gambling in the casinos. From Reno, they were transported in buses, and unceremoniously *dumped* at the CA state line, in order to let the CA Welfare Department, worry about taking care of them. I spent 3 days in talks with the NV officials, and we finally came to an agreement that Nevada would set up its own program to help the "losers" from the casinos. The funny and ironic part for me was that during the meetings, committee members would periodically leave the room and go out to the nearest slot machines to gamble! But anyway, Nevada finally took responsibility for the problem, thus saving CA taxpayers money.

In 1968, Ronald Reagan became the Governor of CA. His conversation with me went like this: "George, I understand that you wrote the MediCal program; I know there are optional programs included and I want you to re- write the optional parts and reduce as many as possible". (Nonetheless, I found Gov. Reagan to be a charming man).

So many interesting experiences. Then what? In 1968 I left California; I was appointed by the Mayor of the city of Boston, MA to join the Boston Department of Health and Hospitals as the Assistant Deputy Commissioner. This was the largest Health and Welfare program in the U.S. at the time. Boston City Hospital had 1,000 beds; 3 Medical Schools in the city used the Hospital: Harvard, Boston University, and Tufts. In addition, at the Long Island Hospital in MA we had a 100 bed program for Skid Row alcoholics; we also had a 200 bed Medical Center for Seniors. I was in charge of 400 employees. A side story: as Supervisor, I decided to

pay an unannounced visit to the staff dormitory for the Skid Row clients. I arrived at 10 PM. I heard many voices speaking in Irish, loudly laughing and talking. They were shocked when I walked in! I found out that these people (not staff) were fundraising for the IRA (Irish Republican Army)! The next morning, I met with the staff, and we made a bargain: they agreed not to allow the IRA people to sleep there anymore, and I agreed not to visit anymore. Ha-ha. Both sides kept the agreement.

In 1982 we left Boston. Why did you leave; you had a great job? (Connie pipes up: "We were tired of the cold and snow!"). We went to Miami Beach where I was employed as the Director of Social Work for Mt. Sinai Medical Center. I remember we had a lovely house on a small island between Miami and Miami Beach called North Bay Village.

When did you retire? In 1990 at the age of 62. Connie loved California and she wanted to return for our retirement. We left Florida in 1997. **Where did you go?** To a lovely town called San Marcos in San Diego County; to a beautiful retirement community called Palomar Estates West, to this very house.

When you retired, did you travel? Yes, we love to travel, and we did it while we were working also. Where did you go? We traveled all over Europe, including Holland, where Connie's ancestors came from. They immigrated to the US in the 1600s! We went to England, Ireland, Scotland, and Russia. I'm probably forgetting a lot. What was your favorite place? I must say Italy; we visited there several times, all over the country. We loved the Amalfi Coast and also Naples because that's where pizza was invented and theirs is the best.

Thank you for your time, George. A most interesting story. You're most welcome.

Next issue: Part 3. George will discuss the many changes San Marcos and PEW have undergone in the past 25 years.



The Krell's 1838 townhouse in Boston

Social Connection

