

# HARBOR LIGHTS

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newsletter

Desert Harbor, a 55+ Community

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Apache Junction,

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## In memoriam—Celine Leonard *By Tom Hennessy*



We have lost a wonderful neighbor and a very diligent worker. Our Casino person, Celine Leonard, March 26, 1931 - April 11, 2010, passed away recently. She was a great person and although I have only lived here in Desert Harbor for about 4 years, Celine was one of the very first to welcome me to the community. She was very hard working, setting up the 12 to 15 bus trips to the local casinos every year and always gave the exact information needed so that every attendee would have a good time. No promises of gambling winnings, of course but there was always some goodies to be received by the people on the buses and those were always negotiated by Celine.

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She and I got into a habit in the past two or three years and she e-mailed me regularly with some of the most amazing photographs that I had ever seen. She had contacts all over the world and when she received these unusual photos, she would always pass them along to the folks on her mailing list. She had been a flight attendant, a teacher of flight attendants and had lived in many areas of her great country and she was always proud to talk about her past life. Celine, I am not speaking only for myself when I say, ***"We are going to miss you and you will not be forgotten, Rest in Peace."***

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## Father's Day—June 20, 2010

# FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

by Ken Camp



*Enjoy the Summer!!*

The month of May has come and gone with our Mexican Pot Luck and our annual Memorial Day Cookout. We hope everyone had a great time at these activities. Our last regular activities meeting was held on May 1 and the meetings will continue again in October. Events have been planned for the entire summer for you to enjoy. We hope you will try to attend those, which you can, since so many of our residents have gone to other places for the summer.

Remember the Food Bank for those in need. Bins will be in the Clubhouse throughout the summer. As the weather gets warmer, perhaps this would be a good time to organize your pantry and to find things there you may want to donate to the Food Bank. There are so many needy people in today's economy.

We can all heave a big sigh and relax a little now that A.L.L. has finished so many improvements in the Park. The water valves have all been replaced so that not all the residents will have to be inconvenienced when the water needs to be turned off. The telephone and cable lines have been improved, and the streets have all been repaved. Those streets paved last year have also been resealed. Knowing that all of these improvements have been made should cause less stress on all of us. We can now enjoy the simple pleasure of parking on our own patios once again!

**If any news comes from A.L.L., I will keep you informed!  
Enjoy the summer.**

## BIRTHDAYS / ANNIVERSARIES JUNE BIRTHDAYS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOT #</u>
3	Leroy Ague Jim Wagner	126 33
8	Betty Holy	40
16	Sheryl Nagy	105
18	Robert Roy	130
19	Josephine Stambaugh	69
20	Jackie Justus Larry Luby	24 86
25	Harry Davis	94
28	Dick Smith	74

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>LOT #</u>
5	Jim & Kay McKersie	177
6	Richard & Connie Garland	201
8	Ken & Sylvia Novak	187
10	Ron & Deanna Fisher	78
14	John & Cathleen Smartt	20
15	Bon & Jane Berberian	188
28	Jim & Kitty Hutson Larry & Marj Lepic	56 83
29	Bob & Sheila Galli Rich & Sandy Schwiezer	95 89
30	Bob & Lorraine Albright	14

If you wish to add your birthday and/or anniversary or make any corrections to the list, please call **Kay McKersie at 480-288-9531.**

## Desert Harbor Residents Offer Services:

Name	Lot Number	Services	Phone
Ron Ruetz	73	Small Electrical	480-983-6151
Richard Nienkark	128	Painting, Roofing	480-983-1396
Carroll Cooper	198	Installation of small Locks, Woodworking	480-671-3147

## May Residents Meeting Report By Bob Mayo

Activities Organization Vice President Jan Ginsburg called the Resident's Meeting on 1 May 2010 to order. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted, as was the Treasurer's report.

Committee reports were presented by Cindy Smith on upcoming casino trips for the months of May and June. Jane Boudreau reported on both the Ladies Soup & Salad Luncheon as well as the out of park luncheon held in April and also the dates for those events scheduled for May. Jan Ginsburg provided a briefing on the progress to have members of the newsletter group to pick up the work of preparing the newsletter for publication since Don Walker will no longer be providing that service. Jan also encouraged all residents to provide input in the form of stories, book reviews, recipes, etc.; anything they might think would be of interest to people living in the park. We are always on the lookout for such material. If you have something you believe would be of interest you can give it to any member of the newsletter committee or you can also email it to myself and [bmayo46490@msn.com](mailto:bmayo46490@msn.com) and I will place it in the library we have set up for that purpose to be used at a later time.

Dick Smith gave a detailed briefing on the paving of the streets throughout the park. Residents should have received a letter in their mailbox in the clubhouse on this project.

Jim McKersie brought up the possibility of having signs with the street names placed on all the streets so that emergency personnel such as police and fire dept might be better able to find a resident's house in an emergency.

This is something that park management needs to address and it has been brought up to them several times in the past with no results.

We have a new copier/fax machine in the computer room in the clubhouse. Residents are asked to limit the number of copies they make. This is not meant for making a large number of copies to be sent to everyone in the world. Paper is not really expensive but the ink is. There is also a new phone in the computer room that can be used for making emergency calls for police or fire dept. assistance if there is an emergency in the area of the clubhouse. The Secretary Judy Quetschenback presented several necessary corrections to the minutes from the January and February 2010 meetings that required membership approval. Motions were made and seconded and the changes were approved.

A resident asked about whether the company we currently worked with for recycling also took plastics. This is not known but perhaps something we could look into.

As this is the last meeting before the summer break, Jan mentioned there are events planned for Memorial Day as well as the 4<sup>th</sup> of July so residents should keep those events in mind and watch the bulletin boards and calendars for specific dates and times. The next residents' meeting is scheduled for October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2010. Everyone have a good summer.

## Desert Harbor Activities & Coordinators

Activity	Coordinator	Telephone
Applique	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Bible Study	Elaine Kerehuk	987-8587
Card Games	TBA	
Casino Trips	Cindi Smith	983-5819
Closest Quilters	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Genealogy	Ester Lough	288-8579
Golf	Don Walker	288-5686
Ladies Luncheon	Helen Rietow	983-6151
Ladies Soup & Salad Luncheon	Joann Hankinson	641-0975
Line Dancing	Mary Pat Summers	983-4227
Mah-Jongg	TBA	
Pinochle	Elaine Kerehuk	987-8587
Poker	TBA	
Stitch & Chat	Reni Dieball	983-0578
Tai Chi	Dick Smith	983-5819
Travel	Connie Riter	641-7753

For questions about these activities contact the appropriate coordinator. Your participation is welcomed and very much appreciated. Thank You.

Activities with no specific coordinator:

Water Aerobics Billiards

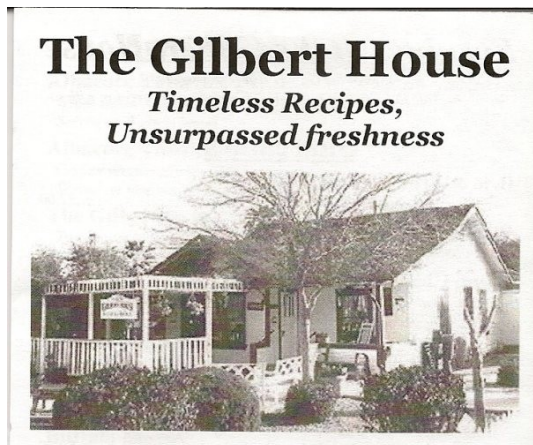
Recent Activities cancelled or suspended:

Dominos	Bunco	Card Bingo
Shuffleboard	Cribbage	Positive Thinking
Stretching Class		Yoga

Next residents' meeting is scheduled for October 2<sup>nd</sup> 2010.

# Restaurant Review

by Kay McKersie



The Gilbert House Restaurant  
397 S. Gilbert Road  
Gilbert, Arizona 85296  
480-507-3383  
Business Hours 7A – 2P daily

The Gilbert House is located in the Farm House Village just south of the main part of old Gilbert. It is housed in a 1928 Sears-Roebuck Craftsman home.

The house has old wooden floors, lace curtains at the windows and an assortment of tables and chairs. I was reminded of going to Grandma's!

They have a wide menu selection for breakfast, lunch or dinner. We went to lunch and thoroughly enjoyed our food. After we had ordered, I saw Crab Eggs Benedict delivered to the next table and immediately wished I had made that my selection. No complaints about the lunches we had selected though.

Service was efficient and the food was prepared to our liking. The desserts looked delicious, but we were too full to try them. It is definitely on our "go to again" list.

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## SUMMER CONCERT SERIES 7PM to 9PM

When the sun goes down the entertainment gets hot at our annual Summer Concert Series sponsored by Qwest at Superstition Springs Center.

**Join us every Saturday from 7-9 p.m. for a FREE concert at our Outdoor Amphitheater.**

- June 5: Chuck E. Baby - Classic Rock
- June 12: Apple - Beatles Tribute Band
- June 19: Raun Alosi Band - Rock, Disco and hits from the '80s to today
- June 26: Cold Shott & The Hurricane Horns - Blues and Rock with horns
- July 3: Otis & The Beat - Hits from the '60s to the '90s
- July 10: Rondavous - Country & Classic Rock
- July 17: Lyn Jackson Band - Classic Rock and hits from today
- July 24: Shining Star - High Energy Variety
- July 31: Rave - Variety



Be sure to stop by Guest Services beginning June 5th to pick up your Summer Concert Series Coupon Sheet with lots of great deals and discounts from your favorite stores at Superstition Springs Center.

# “Ya Gotta Know When to Hold ‘em”

## TEXAS HOLD ‘EM TOURNAMENT

By Dave Borhardt



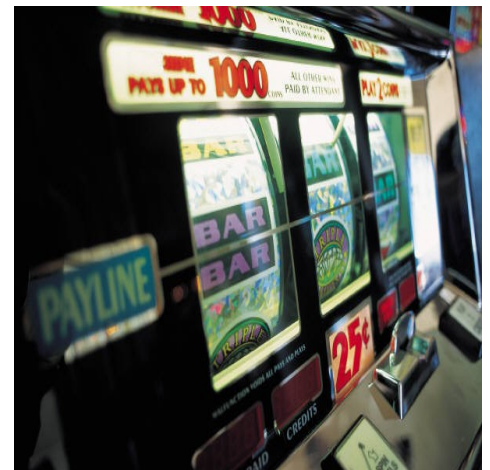
The 2010 Desert Harbor Texas Hold ‘Em Spring Poker Tournament began on Saturday April 17<sup>th</sup> and continued on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup>, Friday April 23<sup>rd</sup> and concluded on Saturday April 24<sup>th</sup>. 1<sup>st</sup> Place honors went to Mike Kereluk, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place to Bob Galli, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place to Bruno Borowczyk and 4<sup>th</sup> Place to Cyndi Smith. Mike Kereluk built a substantial lead at the start of the tournament and continued to lead the tournament all the way through. 15 residents participated. The spring and fall tournaments are limited to residents only. Thank you to all who participated and we all look forward to the fall tournament, probably sometime in October. Look for more information later this year.

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## Our June Casino Trip



Our **June casino trip** will be to Cliff Castle in Camp Verde and is on Thursday June 24<sup>th</sup>. Check-in time is 7:00 a.m. at the clubhouse. You will receive a \$10.00 slot coupon upon arrival. We will leave the casino at 2:30 p.m. Please sign up early and we will need your club card number or birthday. Cliff Castle has 656 slot machines, poker and black jack as well as 4 restaurants. Any questions, please call Cyndi Smith at 480-983-5819.





## Summer Squash Casserole

By  
by Midge Drouin

- 2 lbs (6 cups of sliced yellow squash)
- 1/4 cup Chopped Onion
- 1 Can Condensed Cream of Chicken Soup
- 1 Cup Sour Cream
- 1 Cup shredded Carrots
- 1 8 oz package of herb-seasoned stuffing mix
- 1/2 Cup Melted Butter

In a saucepan, cook the sliced squash and chopped onion in boiling water for 5 Minutes.  
Drain.

Combine cream of chicken soup and sour cream. Stir in the shredded carrots, Fold in drained squash and onions. Combine stuffing mix in bottom of a baking dish. Spoon vegetable mixture on top. Sprinkle the remaining stuffing over the vegetables. Bake at 350° for 25-30 minutes

## The Ladies Get Acquainted Soup and Salad Luncheon



The May Ladies' Get Acquainted Soup and Salad Luncheon was held on the 4<sup>th</sup> in the Desert Harbor Clubhouse. The fifteen ladies in attendance sampled three soups: Beef Vegetable Barley, Ham & Bean and Chicken Noodle. They continued on to a table with seven salads, croissants, and three desserts. The variety of salads and desserts never ceases to amaze me, each is more taste tempting than the last. We do enjoy our time spent visiting and lingering during our lunch. This month we had the opportunity to become better acquainted with two of our newer residents.

The luncheons will continue during the summer. So ladies get out your cookbooks and look for those great summer salads and cool desserts or how about a cold soup?

Several members of the committee will be away during the summer months however, the coffee will be ready as usual on the first Tuesday of June to accompany your meal. Please join the ladies of Desert Harbor for lunch as they are looking forward to getting to know you.

If you have any questions please contact Kay McKersie or Elaine Anfang. They will be most happy to answer your questions.

***We hope everyone has a great summer!***



Jane Boudreau reported on the forty-three diners who were greeted by Cyndi Smith as they attended the **last pancake breakfast of the winter season**. Those attending enjoyed hot pancakes accompanied by scrambled eggs and ham prepared by the kitchen crew of Ken Camp, Dick Smith, Chuck McCall and Al Goodwin. Joann Hankison served the scrambled eggs and ham. A big thank you goes out to all the residents who assisted with the pancake breakfasts and suppers held during the last six months.

# ARIZONA HISTORY

by Kay McKersie

**Picacho Peak State Park** was established on April 15, 1968 and dedicated by Governor Jack Williams to preserve the area for everyone to enjoy.

There is a campground, picnic areas and a trail system. In the spring the Park is covered with wild California poppies which enhance the unusual formation of the peak.

In the spring the sound of gunfire is heard as the Battle of Picacho Pass is re-enacted, It was the site of the only Civil War battle fought in Arizona on April 15, 1862 with Union and Confederate troops.

There were only twenty-four men involved and eleven casualties. Many historians refuse to call the conflict a battle, but the intensity of battle is the deciding point.

Fortunately the Union won or Arizona may never have come into being. The Arizona Territory was established on February 24, 1863 and the current borders were drawn.



## PICACHO PASS

By Larry R. Hedrick

*In the Arizona Desert  
In Eighteen Sixty-two  
Rode the Calvary in Confederate Grey  
And the Boys in Union Blue*

*Man and horse across the burning sand  
for supremacy of the West  
neither side was to know  
where would be the test*

*After many long and weary days  
They finally met at last  
To fight a desperate battle  
Known as Picacho Pass*

*Onward into battle  
Hooves and hearts together pound  
Mid swirling dust and powder smoke  
Men and mounts went down*

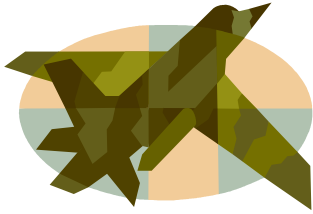
*Death the pale horse also rode  
To do his work so grim  
He rode beside each of those  
Whose eyes were soon to dim.*

*And when the fighting was ended  
Each went his separate way  
The Calvary in the Union Blue  
and the Boys in Confederate Grey*



# It's Braggin' Rights Time

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## **East Coast Vacation**.....by Midge & Dave Drouin

May 25th will be here before you know it. Dave and I are traveling from Desert Harbor back to Columbia, Connecticut to spend seven months visiting family and friends. The tedious five and a half hour plane ride isn't something we look forward to, but arriving at Bradley International Airport early evening and being greeted by my daughters, son-in-law, and two lovely granddaughters, Jenna and Stephanie is worth the flight. Our two grandchildren are very excited about picking us up at the terminal because it is something that they are doing for the first time. David and I are staying at Edgarton Rd in Columbia where our youngest daughter, Jessie, and our son-in-law, Scott, live...which was once our home over three years ago. So, we always have a place to stay to hang our hats. Of course, we will be greeted by Sadie, our grand-dog (Rottie) who thinks she is a hundred and twenty pound lap dog, but we love her anyway. The plan is to breed her and hopefully we will be taking care of cute and adorable pups by the end of the summer.



Jenna



Stephanie

Once we get settled in, we'll be looking up old friends and relatives. One of our day trips is to visit David's dad who is in a convalescent home. Dad, who thinks he's in a resort hotel, has Alzheimer's. He is well kept for a 94 year old! While we are spending time with our granddaughters we will be busy going to soccer games and birthday parties as Jenna and Stephanie will be celebrating their birthdays while we are there.

Come fall, it's always nice to attend county fairs that are usually held in August, September, and October. September is a special month for us as we celebrate our 37th anniversary together, and taking walks among the trees with their leaves turning beautiful colors creates a great scenic view for picture taking. In November, I will be attending my 50th High School Reunion, which is always held on Thanksgiving weekend. I'm looking forward to that night where I will be greeting friends that I haven't seen in five years and reminiscing over old times and life changes.

By the time December arrives, we will be looking forward to coming back home to Desert Harbor barring any complications with the weather. See you in December!



# Braggin' Rights—Part Two

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## A Picture is Priceless by Margaret Crump # 127



Here's a picture of our three grandsons Evan (14), Ethan (10), and Easton (3) on Easter Sunday. Evan made the lovely Easter Bunny cake and you can see how proud they are of his accomplishment. Their mother, Missy Gogel, is our daughter. We also have two beautiful teen-age granddaughters, whose father is our son, Brad. Don and I are looking forward to many happy activities spent this summer with our five grandchildren at the lake -- in Indiana.

## Resident's Granddaughter chosen for trip. By Tom Hennessy #70



Kacie Hennessy, a ten year old youngster, in the Walnut Creek/Concord, California school district has been chosen by the national Person-to-Person group to join a Nineteen day trip to Europe this coming summer. She, along with the others and the chaperones chosen, will visit Ireland, Scotland, England and Wales to visit with the locals and to absorb a different culture and environment than their own.

Person-to-Person is a volunteer-driven, community-based agency that, through a sharing of goods and services, responds to our neighbors who lack necessities and resources to improve their lives. Person-to-Person intends to remain flexible, non-bureaucratic, and reliant on volunteers.

Kacie has had an interesting life so far. When she was Four years old, she was chosen to be the model in a number of department store print advertisements for Mervyn's and other San Francisco bay area stores.

She is a competitive swimmer, as a three-year member of a large Swim Club and is a great reader, absorbing a lot of what her book collection espouses.

She is the daughter of Sean Hennessy, who recently was awarded his Masters degree in Athletic Administration and Coaching and Allison Hennessy, an executive for a computer software company. Kacie has three siblings, two other girls and the youngest, a boy who will be three years old in August.

By the way, Kacie is one of the granddaughters of Tom Hennessy #70, here in Desert Harbor.

Grandmas  
never run  
out of  
hugs or  
cookies.

## APRIL POTLUCK DINNER *by Jane Boudreau and Monica Bauschard*



The monthly potluck dinner was held on April 17, 2010 with 84 residents and guests in attendance. The hosts for the evening were Connie Riter, Art Roberts and Monica and Michael Bauschard. Those in attendance bid farewell to Toni and Leroy Ague and Bobbie and Miles Lowery, who were departing for the summer. A 50/50 drawing was held with a \$25.00 contribution to our treasury. The monthly potluck dinners are one of the many functions offered by the Activities Organization.

Our potluck dinners are held on the third Saturday of each month beginning at 4:30 p.m. with happy hour followed by dinner at 5:00 p.m. If you have not attended one of our dinners the process is simple. A sign-up sheet is posted on the Activities Organization bulletin board. Those who plan to attend are asked to indicate what item they wish to contribute for the dinner. As a reminder if you do not sign-up, those hosting the dinner may not have sufficient table space prepared for the diners.

Remember to bring your table service and your beverage of choice to the next dinner on Saturday June 19.

## Telephone Book Changes *by Dick Smith*



ADD	CHANGE	DELETE
Nagy, Gary/Sheryl Lot #105 983-1284	Boillot, Ron/Jean Lot #72 204-9436	Watts, Estelle Lot #117
Hightower, Bill/Philicia Lot #6 374-4570	Heft, Caroline McCafferty, James/Donna Lot #97 671-3327	Borowczyk, Kay Lot #26
Berndt, Bart/Jean Lot #137 605-484-1763	Ginsberg to Ginsburg Lot #183	Leonard, Celine Lot #106
Fischer, Judy Lot #96 671-5009	Quetschenback to Quetschenbach Lot #141	Orkis, Liya Lot #31
	Loveridge, Vernita Lot #153 770-547-9184	Blomeyer, Dave Kelly, Karen Lot #56

## LADIES' LUNCHEON *by Jane Boudreau*



The **Ladies' Luncheon for June** will be held at DEMA'S Pizza & Pasta Italian Bistro located at 18256 E. Williams Field Rd., Gilbert. We enjoyed a wonderful luncheon at DEMA'S in December. Helen Rietow felt a return visit was warranted.

Please sign up for this luncheon to be held June 15, 2010. The ladies will meet in the clubhouse at 11:00 a.m. and carpools will be formed to drive to the restaurant..

# Always a fun spot for lunch

## LADIES LUNCH AT CHARLESTON'S ...By Jan Ginsburg

Our out of park luncheon for April was held on Tuesday, April 20, at Charleston's Restaurant in Mesa on Stapley Dr. This is one of the ladies' favorite spots to go for lunch due to its warm ambience, great service and a menu selection to suit everyone's taste. That day we had around 20 people attend lunch including some friends we do not see often enough and were glad to have joined us that day. Marcy Desiderio, Carolyn Heft and Estelle Pein joined us along with two new residents, Philicia Hightower and Sharon Schupak, making it an especially fun afternoon. Though everyone gets a chance to order different things off of the menu, most everyone seems to love *Walt's Champagne Chicken Salad* and Charleston's famous warm Croissants. It does not get any better than this!

We have these Ladies Luncheons on the 3rd Tuesday of each month, looking for something new and appealing for everyone's taste. There is a sign up sheet on the Activities Board inside the clubhouse for you to sign up on so that our coordinator, Helen Rietow can make reservations ahead of time for us. We all meet at 11 a.m. in front of the clubhouse on that Tuesday so that carpooling can be arranged to the restaurant. This is a good day out, if you haven't attended before. Please make sure you try to make our next luncheon and bring a neighbor or friend.

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any  
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than this!

### Garlic, The Benefits

#### **Which is more beneficial---Fresh or Aged Garlic?** by Midge Drouin

After years of use and years of claims and counter-claims, research has finally and definitively provided the answer to which garlic supplement is the best, and the answer is definitely fresh garlic.

Why is fresh garlic good for our health? Its eaten in very small amounts-one tiny clove is generally enough to satisfy even the most rabid garlic lover. One serving of fresh garlic contains only one milligram of vitamin C, compared to broccolis 82 mg and a baked potatoes 26 mg. Even the water content of garlic(60%) compared to other vegetables (80%-90%),makes garlic seem kind of wimpy. But it's a collection of chemical compounds, known as the sulfur compounds inside fresh garlic that makes this rather funny looking plant, into a Super-Vegetable. Well over 90% of all garlic research has been conducted on these sulfur compounds. Sulfur is known for its wide range of pharmacological activity; sulfur-containing drugs include antibiotics, blood pressure lowering drugs, and diuretics.

Researchers have zeroed in on one group of fresh garlic's sulfur compounds called the thiosulfates. Allie in. the primary substance of garlic, and alliinase, the activating enzyme, are present in separate chambers of the garlic clove. Research has shown that alliin has an amazing range of health benefits. In fact, alliin has been found to: Kill bacteria and fungi, prevent the common cold, reduce inflammation, stop tumor growth and kill cancer cells, eliminate H.Pylori, the bacteria that causes ulcers, keep blood from clotting, prevent heart attacks and stroke, inhibit hardening of the arteries and much more. The fresh garlic advantage delivers 5,000mcg of Allicin- Garlic's most beneficial compound for Heart Health, has a unique patented Swiss process to ensure maximum absorption, Is independently tested, is clinically proven to support Heart Health and offers an easy 1 tablet per day dose.



# OUR TRIP TO NEW ZEALAND 1993-94 by Kay McKersie



## December 20-22, 1993

A thirteen hour flight is not the proper way to begin a vacation, but a necessary evil to achieve our goal. We lost a day (the 21st) crossing the international date line, but surprisingly arrived without feeling too exhausted. Fortunately, we had bulkhead seats, which allowed us to stretch our legs. Our youngest son, Richard traveled with us until he got tired of all the OLD people!

## Wednesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1993

We landed in Auckland at 8:00 a.m. and were met by a representative of Australian Pacific Tours and taken to our hotel, the Centra. The hotel was located in the downtown area, so after showers and a change of clothing, we went exploring. We walked through a couple of permanent flea markets although most shops were closed. We tend to forget that "down under" December is their summer and

vacation time! We ate dinner in the hotel dining room and met some of our fellow tour passengers.

## Thursday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1993

We left the hotel at 8:30 a.m. for the beginning of our Australian-Pacific tour. We had a deaf-mute traveling with us and no one had been told to awaken him, so we were delayed for a few minutes. It was the only time he was late!

We traveled through the Waipoua Kauri (carry) Forest Reserves and visited the Kauri and Pioneer Museum. Kauri wood is beautiful and because it grows tall and straight, the early sailors used it for masts on their ships. Over the course of years, the kauri forests were almost completely wiped out. Today there are protected forests, but it will take many years for them to achieve full growth.

The museum had massive lumbering equipment, old farm machinery, model rooms of homes, etc. and the I.S.S. (inevitable souvenir shop). The carved kauri wood furniture and souvenirs were lovely.

After a lunch, we continued on to Waitangi situated on the Bay of Islands. Before going to our rooms, we toured the Waitangi Treaty House where the original treaty between the British and the Maori's (mau-re) was signed. It was a beautifully landscaped area on a point overlooking the Bay of Islands. Also, on display were a Maori Meeting House and a canoe. Both were decorated with carvings and stained a dark red-brown.

While Jim took his "siesta", Rick went for his run and I walked around the grounds and down by the shore. The hot spa looked inviting, but too many people were crowded into it.

**More of our adventures on the next page**

## More of the New Zealand Adventures in 1993-1994

Friday, December 24<sup>th</sup>, 1993

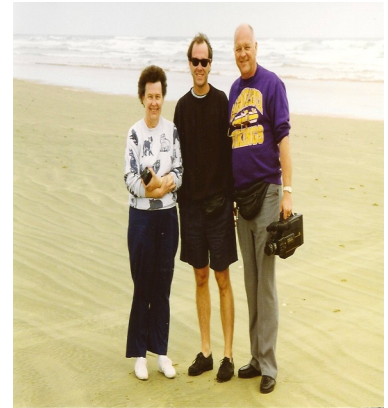
During the morning we took a boat cruise around the Bay of Islands and through the Hole in the Rock. We saw the first capital of New Zealand, Russell from the boat. Some people visited it in the afternoon, but we chose the trip to the tip of the North Island. While on the boat, we had a school of dolphins trail along entertaining us. They seemed to realize that everyone was watching them and were fascinated with their antics.

Our afternoon consisted of a drive along the Ninety Mile Beach (actually eighty-four miles). No homes or businesses line the beach--totally devoid of civilization. We had only an hour before the tide would come in, so no one was fishing. There is only one entrance and exit to the beach at each end. We exited through a running creek bed and began our climb to Cape Reinga (the northernmost tip of New Zealand where the Tasman Sea and the Pacific Ocean meet). On our way back, we stopped at the Wageners Museum (largest privately owned collection of everything, included almost five hundred chamber pots). What a way to spend Christmas Eve!

The owner conducted the tour and was justifiably proud of his ancestor's habit of saving. Christmas Eve dinner was nothing special; roasted beef and lamb, potatoes and vegetables. Definitely not what we expected or were used to having.

As we were driving back, I was checking homes to see how they were decorated for Christmas and was surprised to see very few outside decorations and only half a dozen homes had trees visible from the road. It was a very long day, we did not get back to our hotel until 11:30 p.m.

More stories of the trip in the July issue



The view  
was  
magnificent!

### Activities Organization

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# Laughing our way through the Repairs

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## Here are the LAUGHS — HOLLYWOOD SQUARES HUMOR

These questions and answers are from the original Hollywood Squares TV show. The game show celebrities were professional comics and their responses were spontaneous and clever. Peter Marshall was the host asking the questions:

Q. If you're going to make a parachute jump, at least how high should you be?

A. *Charley Weaver: Three days of steady drinking should do it.*

Q. You've been having trouble going to sleep. Are you probably a man or a woman?

A. *Don Knotts: That's what's been keeping me awake.*

Q. According to Ann Landers, is there anything wrong with getting into the habit of kissing a lot of people?

A. *Charley Weaver: Well, it got me out of the army.*

Q. Back in the old days, when Great-grandpa put horseradish on his head, what was he trying to do?

A. *George Gobel: Get it in his mouth*

## Here are the REPAIRS IN DESERT HARBOR

*by Connie Riter*



Dave Borhardt, our roving cameraman, was able to snap some pictures of the water repairs made in our Park. Now the entire Park will not be inconvenienced when there is a need to turn the water off for a leak or a repair. Several new shut-off valves have been installed.

In addition, the rest of the roads in Desert Harbor were recently repaved and the streets paved last year were sealed. Now we can all enjoy parking in our own patio drives once again.



# Celebrating Dads by Jan Ginsburg



Father's Day is celebrated here in the US on **Sunday, June 20, 2010** and is a day of commemoration and celebration of Dads. It is a day that not only honors your father, but all men who have acted as a father figure in your life - whether as Stepfathers, Uncles, Grandfathers, Godfathers or "Big Brothers."

We often forget the sacrifice and the roles our Dads have played in shaping our lives, usually because most men don't want you to make a fuss or draw any attention too them. *Father's Day* gives us that opportunity to show and express our love and care to these men, the ones who deserve our support the most.

Last year's article in Harbor Lights covered individual stories about Dad's, special memories and what they had meant to different people. We even covered a little history of how Fathers' Day came to be a National Holiday and the story behind it. I have come to know, worked and become friends with quite a few of the "Dads" here in our park since I lived here, and the same things bond them all.

A great deal of love and pride for their children, no matter what paths they have taken. Ask any of these men and they will tell you all about their kids, where they are and what they are doing.

Grandkids & Great-grandkids, well, that is a completely different chapter! Nothing compares to a proud Grandpa (except Grandma) regarding beautiful grandchildren and their accomplishments.

Being humble and grateful to be a Father...they all seem to share these qualities.

My own father would have been 101 years old this August, a quiet man with a dry sense of humor, who used to ask "Did you bring a Lunch?" when I stopped in at work to see him. He was proud of all his children, did not like a fuss made over him and set such an enormous example for us to follow. On Sunday afternoon drives, I can still here Dad singing to us, "Bye Bye Black Bird..."



***"Any man can be a father. It takes someone special to be a dad". -Anonymous***

## STOP SIGNS AND SPEED LIMIT

It has been brought to our attention again that we have a lot of cars not stopping at the stop signs and going way too fast. Please everyone, including all residents and guests, observe the stop signs and the speed limit of 15 mph. Please also remember that pedestrians and bicyclists always have the right of way

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<b>SAVE THE DATES</b> <b>Potluck Dinner on June 19th</b>  <b>Ladies Luncheon out of the park Tuesday, June 15th</b>  <b>Cliff Castle Casino Trip Thursday June 24 at 7:00 AM</b>		<b>1</b> 12:00p Ladies Soup and Salad Lunch 6:30p NDQ Poker 7:00p Cards/ Games	<b>2</b> 1:00p Mahjongg 1:00p Quilting 6:30p Quilting	<b>3</b> 1:00p Bible Study 6:30p Billiards	<b>4</b> 4:00p Happy Hour 7:00p Cards/ Games	<b>5</b> 8:00a Coffee/ Donuts
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