

VENTURA TOWNEHOUSE

CALIFORNIA'S CROWN JEWEL IN RETIREMENT LIVING

October 2020



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October Holidays



October 2nd
Sukkot

October 12th
Columbus Day

October 24th
United Nations
Day

October 31st
Halloween



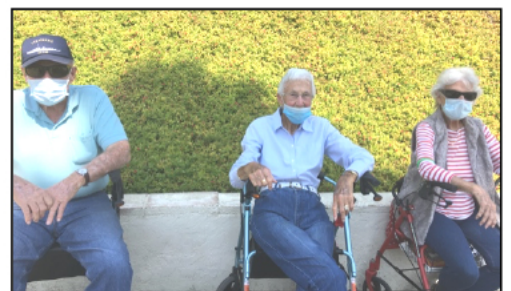
October at the Townehouse Walking Buddies



Buddy System by Terry Gibson



When a new resident moved in across from me and stuck her head out of her door, I asked her if I could help her with anything. She was waiting for someone to take her on an ambassador tour, so I stepped in. I took her on a tour of the grounds. She is legally blind, but I found that her only problem is trying to read all the things we get delivered to us. So, when we get a flyer or newsletter, I read it to her. We started meeting in the lobby and walking in the garden together, with her easy nature, we soon became buddies. My new buddy Myrna is a retired nurse and when I had a Hematoma that I worried over, she felt my leg and assured me I was not going to die. It's nice to have a nurse as your friend. So together we enjoy walking and exercise class. I like trivia and coloring, she likes bingo and music, so there are things we don't always do together. The buddy system is something I used years ago when a new family joined the Temple congregation. It really helps people to become part of the community and feel at home. It's nice to see the buddy system at work every day here at the Townehouse. So, find a buddy and join our walking group. We meet in the front lobby every day at 1pm and 3pm.



ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Introducing Ann Wells

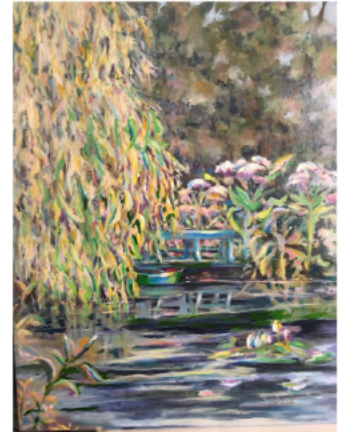


Ann is always seeking to learn more, always learning to see things in new ways, and always ready to experiment with unfamiliar techniques and media. Ann brings a great deal to the world of art. Her enthusiasm and exuberance find their way into every piece she creates, bringing the viewer along on her journey of discovery.

Ann has studied at Ventura College and with some of the finest artists working in California today, learning various approaches to such varied media as oil, watercolor, acrylic and pastel. She is also an accomplished photographer.

Her work has been honored with prestigious awards such as the Windsor & Newton Award for Oil and numerous First Place ribbons in exhibitions throughout California. Her experience in the art world has also included owning her own gallery in the Central California town of Chowchilla, where she boosted the local art community with workshops and imported exhibitions.

Ann Wells work can be found in collections throughout the United States, in Amsterdam, and on exhibit at the Circle Gallery and the Vineyard Restaurant in Madera, California. Ann will have a collection of art available for viewing during our ice cream social on Wednesday, October 14th at 2pm in the Rose Garden.



Pumpkin Decorating!



Pick up a pumpkin and a selection of permanent markers from the front desk to decorate. Be creative! Your pumpkin will be displayed in the front lobby. And the winner will be featured in our next newsletter. Thank you, Samantha, for this fun idea!

October 20th and 27th, join Anne and Rachel in the Dining Room Lounge at 10:30am.

We will make up Halloween treat bags for all our Townehouse family kids.

Halloween Treat Bags!



TOWNEHOUSE FURRY FRIENDS

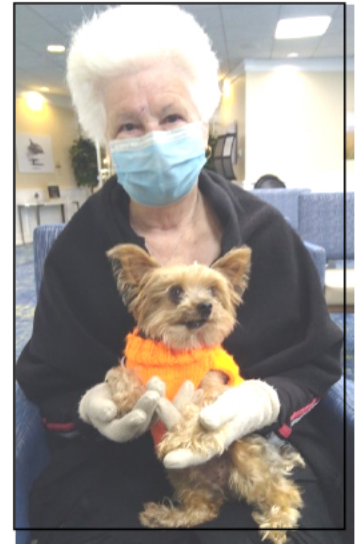


Hi, everyone - my name is CUPCAKE. I am a Teacup (sized) Yorkshire Terrier (a Yorkie). I am a Senior Dog. My vet thinks I am about 13 or 14 years old. My mom, Barbara Howard, got me from a rescue. Their name is, "A Purposeful Rescue". I am an "Emotional Support Dog," not just a pet. I love to spend time with Senior Citizens who feel the need to get some extra loving. I really know how to cuddle! Just ask Ruby, we cuddle every morning. I was found wandering the streets of Downey, California. My former mom evidently did not want me anymore because she let me get out and didn't try to find me. I was in the Downey Pound for 10 days and then my Rescue mom came and got me. She took me to the vet right away because my mouth was hurting so badly, I had fleas everywhere and I weighed only

4.3 pounds. That was then. It was decided that my mouth was too far gone, and I had all my teeth pulled. I felt so much better.

Now I weigh 6.6 pounds and I feel wonderful. My mom, Barbara walks me four or five times a day all around our 12 acres of garden. I love walking in our beautiful gardens because there aren't any fast cars driving down the streets. My mom usually, keeps a bright sweater on me so that I can be easily seen if I wander away from her. If you ever see me - but can't see her anywhere, please call the office.

If you ever need some extra loving, contact my mom or the front desk and my mom, will bring me over for a visit. We look forward to featuring one of our furry friends each month.



Congratulations Rachel and Dan



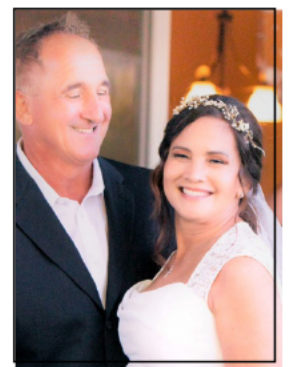
The wedding is planned! The invites are all sent out, 70 guests will attend.

Then COVID! the plans have changed. The governor announced no more than twelve can attend an outdoor wedding. Who do we invite and who do we uninvite? Yikes!

Once reality set in, Dan and I sat down and replanned our wedding. Close family only was the golden rule, followed by a small intimate reception in the back garden.

The three-tier cake was reduced to one tier. The gourmet chef was put on hold! The local caterers were called, twelve people no problem!

The live band was cancelled, and Pandora with our Bluetooth speaker was plugged in. The first dance was magical. Together with our family we successfully received our vows on our beautiful wedding day. Thank you to all our residents for your well wishes.



Rachel (Activity Assistant)

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Townehouse Bulletin

Mail in your ballot before the November 3rd election.

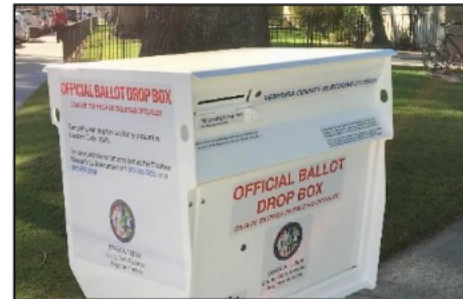
The Townehouse is a precinct by itself and voting is by

mail for your convenience. If

you prefer to drop your ballot in a ballot box, Maria will be available to take you to the closest drop off located on Victoria at the court building.

Watch a special presentation of the pros and cons of the

propositions on the 2020 voting ballot. Presentation is provided by the League of Women Voters. We will show it on the big screen TV's once it has been made available for viewing on YouTube.



Paper Shredding Service



On Monday October 12th we will place a locked and secured shredding bin in the Dining Room Lounge. If you have papers/documents to shred, please bring them to the Dining Room Lounge between 10:00am and 11:00am daily.

The bin will be picked up Friday October 16th and all its contents will be taken by the shredding company.

Wednesday, October 28th at 9am, Acoustic Hearing will be in the Lower Level Conference Room. No appointment needed.

