# Ventura Townehouse

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**July 2021** 



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May peace, love and happiness ...

Always be with you!
Wishing you a very happy Fourth of July!



### July Holidays



July 4<sup>th</sup> Independence Day

As we celebrate our nations freedom,
We honor the courageous men and women dedicated to preserving it

## July at the Townehouse

## Man of the Month! Honest Abe.



My birthplace was Lemoore, in central California, joining a family of five. My parents were of Portuguese descent, having immigrated here from the Azores in their younger years.

They were dairy farmers, so I was introduced to the trials and tribulations of milking cows at an early age. After graduation from Hanford High School, I set out exploring non-farming jobs. I tried construction work to service station attendant to plumbing and office supply. And I did commercial tuna fishing on a vessel sailing from San Diego to off the coast of Central America and the Galapagos Islands.

In 1950 I joined the Army and served nineteen months in Korea as a Supply Sergeant and, also, did a stent guarding North Korean prisoners of war. Upon discharge I partnered with family members in a Grade A dairy of three hundred milking cows. After two years I finally discovered that a two a.m. seven days a week commitment was not my cup of tea. I longed for an 8 to 5 five-day work week! This took me to Chico State where I received a BS in Agriculture. I got a job in the farm labor division of the State Employment Department. My work included recruiting farm workers in the agriculture field which included the Braceros program. The last fifteen years of working for the state I was a Deputy Labor Commissioner enforcing laws relating to hours, wages and working conditions. After thirty-three years I retired.

My wife and I had two children and as a family we enjoyed hiking, camping, and fishing in the rivers, lakes, and mountains of northern California. Eventually we settled for a more sedate life at our cabin on Bucks Lake near Quincy. Walking is a passion of mine. In my two years here at the Townehouse I really enjoy the entertainment and visiting with all my new friends and dancing with the ladies.

#### **INTRODUCING OUR NEW RESIDENTS**

#### **Angela Jennings**



Angela was born in England. She attended school in the small town of Finchley located a few miles North of London. Growing up in London during WW11 was frightening. To escape the terror of the bomb shelter, Angela would sing. She soon became the family entertainer. At age ten, Angela's family emigrated to California. She remembers the thrill of growing up in Hollywood. Her family home was located behind the Roosevelt hotel on Hollywood and Highland. Angela's passion for singing continued and she performed with small bands at her parents' home. Angela is looking forward to joining the Townehouse singing group and singing a solo. She has met many friendly people since moving to the Townehouse and enjoys participating in activities.

**Dianne Leary** 



Dianne is a beach gal! She grew up on the California coast. Her father worked for Edison, so they moved a lot. She was lucky enough to live in Santa Monica, Santa Barbara and Carpinteria. Dianne worked in the admissions department at Ventura College for 30 years. Since moving to the cottages at the Townehouse Dianne is enjoying making new friends while walking her best buddy Max around our beautiful gardens. Be sure to introduce yourself to Dianne and Buddy.

#### We welcome Mariah Sever



Mariah has worked as your concierge at the front desk for the past two months. She said she is loving it! She is currently a student at Ventura College studying to become a psychologist. She has a passion to work with and help children and young adults who have experienced traumatic events. When she is not studying or working, she enjoys spending time in the outdoors with her friends. We extend a warm welcome to Mariah.

#### Notes of gratitude to our paramedics Here they are again!

to know that they are always there when we call.

Those wonderful paramedics with their big red fire engines seem to be here every day, sometimes multiple times a day, to provide care for us. They are so dependable, so very caring. They skillfully help us through our crisis and assure that we have appropriate treatment. Wouldn't the firefighters like to know that we appreciate what they do for us? The Resident Council has had some cards printed that we can use to express our individual thoughts. Very Soon we will have tables set up in the DRL where we can all write brief notes of appreciation. When you see them, please stop and add your card to the collection. We want these dedicated people to know that we value them and are happy

#### **NEWS FROM OUR RESIDENT BOARD MEMBERS**

## HAPPY NEWS RESIDENTS MEETING

For all the residents: We will hold our first Residents Meeting on July 8<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am in the VISTA ROOM.

On the resident's bulletin board in the dining room lounge you will see the minutes of the February and March Residents Meeting for 2020. We ask you to please look these over as they will not be read at the meeting. We will ask for an approval of those two meeting minutes as we have a lot of current business to cover, and don't want to spend time on old minutes, from over a year ago.

We look forward to seeing you and meeting all our new residents.

Terry Gibson, Interim President

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Maxine Snelgrove Secretary



Greg Morgan
Treasurer



Cheryl Hodge
Assistant Treasurer



Barbara Niles Vice President



Radell Mitchell Townemart Manager



Leslie Wright Librarian



#### **June Gratuity Disbursement**

June bonus checks were written to 125 employees and issued on June 18<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to resident board treasurer Greg Morgan and assistant treasurer Cheryl Hodge for promoting the gratuity fund and for writing all the checks. Full - time employees received checks of \$225. This was more than in previous disbursements. This was in part due to the revenue contribution from the Townemart sales. All employees express their appreciation for this generous gift given with love and kindness.

## **Townehouse Management Team**

Administration

Executive Director Evan Granucci Executive Assistant Justine Perigo

**Marketing Directors** Harvey Marasigan

Nancee Borgnine

**Customer Service Front Desk** 

Director of Concierge Antoine Guerrier II

Services

Director of Activities Anne Howorth

Fitness Frank Jackson

**Director of Health** Marissa Fontanilla

**Services** 

**Director of Memory** 

Care

Erika Rocha

**Director of Social Services** Kimmi Bryan

**Director of Food Services** Joe Messina

Housekeeping

Director of Housekeeping Alejandra Hernandez

Maintenance

Chief Engineer Steve Drake Assistant Engineer Cliserio Meza

Transportation

Bus Driver María De Los Reyes



# **Employee of the Month Congratulations, Ana Rosas**



Hello, my name is Ana Rosas I have been with the Townehouse for almost 6yrs. I love working with the residents. I am married and have three children who I love very much. I have worked with seniors since I was young. I enjoy celebrating birthdays and holidays with my residents these are always special occasions that are fun and memorable.

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#### **Happy Father's Day**



