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**September
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**September
Holidays**

**Labor Day
September 4th**

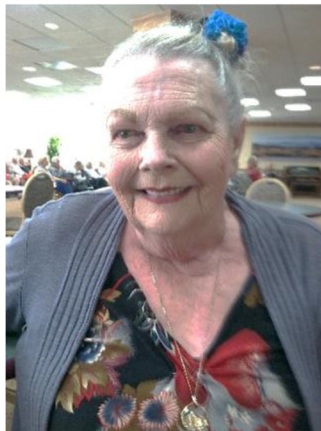
**Grandparents
Day
September 10th**

**Rosh
Hashanah
At Sundown
September 15th**

**Yom Kippur
At Sundown
September 24th**



September at the Townehouse



Artist of the Month Carole Morris

Carole was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, and remembers as a child of five her mother would provide crayons and Disney coloring books. Carole would pass the time not coloring but shading and painting the Disney characters. Through the years, Carole has painted with many materials, her favorite being oils. Carole finds painting to be a spiritual experience, saying God works through her when she puts the paint to paper.



When the last of her four children left the nest, Carole's husband quit his job and they traveled the United States promoting and displaying Carole's art. She never stopped painting while learning new techniques. Carole loves her life at the Townehouse and said she continues to paint from her memory with her limited sight. We look forward to seeing more of Carole's work on Thursday, September 7th, in the Front Lobby. A select few will be on sale with proceeds going to the Gratuity Fund.

Flu shot sign up.

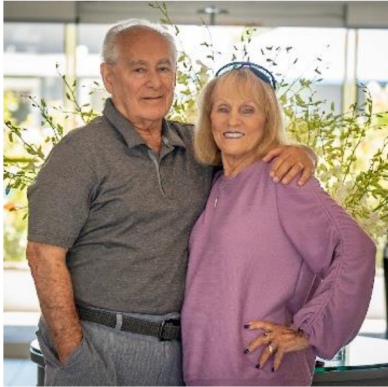
Please sign up for your flu shot in the assisted living office by September 10th.

Flu shot date: September 26th

Day and time: Tuesday 9:00am – 2:00pm

Townhouse News

AVRAM & MARGARET RUBIN AKA AL & PEGGY



Guess the place to start is where we each began our life's journey. Peggy was born in a log cabin in the hills of Virginia, and I was born (so my mother told me) in a trash can in Pennsylvania. Fate stepped in and we both wound up in Los Angeles California. In 1974 my former sister-in-law, who knew Peggy, introduced me to her saying that this would be the girl I would marry. We began our lives together in 1975 and married in 1985 and will be celebrating our 38th anniversary. We have five children, three daughters and two sons, six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

When we met, Peggy was the comptroller for W.J. Sloan's, a Beverly Hills retail furniture store, and in 1989 started MHR, a consulting firm assisting lawyers set up their offices. I owned Airmec Inc, an automotive air conditioning and parts manufacturing company and together, in 1985, we started R Video productions company. Peggy retired in 1995 and I retired in 1999. During these past 48 years we have enjoyed a very active life. In addition to our business, we sailed the seas and lakes in our Sea Ray boat and traveled or cruised to mostly everywhere. We had houses, the fancy cars, and boats, now we choose to continue our lives without all that goes with that lifestyle. Although we have many travels and adventures ahead, we chose the Ventura Townhouse for the next phase in our lives together. We look forward to making new friends here at the Townhouse and enjoying the many tales to be told.



Why I moved into the Ventura Townhouse!

I knew what I didn't want when I began looking at places to live. We looked at two places and couldn't get out of them fast enough. They were for old people who seemed to ignore each other and us. The places were expensive and ugly, surrounded by big buildings with nowhere to walk.

I had taken classes at the college which faces the Townhouse. I asked someone if it was a resort and they told me that it was an independent and assisted living community. I was wowed by the pretty glass building, and then I walked out back of the tower and saw pretty green, lawns, walkways, places to sit and talk and a big necessity for me, was people. People smiled at me, spoke and answered my questions and were generally friendly.

When I decided I wanted to move into Assisted Living there was no question about where I was going if I could afford it. My daughter and I looked at the website and discovered it was less money than any of the cement buildings I had seen. That was mid-January 2020. I moved in and still love it. The people here are friendly and mostly active. The apartment I chose is very nice and comfortable and the staff is wonderful. Need I say more? This is the PLACE!!

Sincerely,
Terry Gibson, President
Residents Council

TOWNEHOUSE NEWS

A warm welcome to Mark and Judy Kupperman



Mark was born January 12, 1933. He lived in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and graduated from Ohio State University. He entered the USAF as a 2nd Lt. He served overseas in the Azores and finished active duty in Tacoma, Washington. He was hired by the Flying Tiger Airline, worked at Midway Airport, and later transferred to Los Angeles Airport. During the next few years Mark earned an MBA from UCLA. He married, had two children, and later divorced.

Mark continued in management positions with various companies in ITT. In 1975 he opened a retail store selling art glass, window coverings, and sun control film. In addition, he advertised in foreign newspapers offering to locate business opportunities for foreign buyers.

He married Judy in 1978. Before moving to the Townehouse they lived at the Oxnard Shores Mobile Home Park for 24 years. During that time, they accumulated eleven grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Judy was born in 1929 in Brooklyn, New York. Judy's parents were great handball players, so they spent a great deal of time at the beach. Her father's business was in Chicago, so they moved to Chicago. When Judy's sister was born with health problems, the family moved to LA. Judy enjoyed high school. She played on the tennis team and helped publish the high school newspaper. She attended UCSB. There she met her first husband. Judy left college to become a full-time mother to their four children. She waited for the opportunity, then went back to college. Judy took six units each semester; it took her five years to gain her master's degree, but she did it!

Her first employment was teaching at Granada Hills High School and soon became head of the English department. There she taught a creative writing class. She had 167 students on a waiting list to take this class. Judy loved her creative writing class and so did the kids. She retired after 30 years and met her second husband, Mark. They traveled together enjoying life for over 44 years. She said, "Our life is terrific!" Mark and Judy look forward to meeting many new friends at the Ventura Townehouse.



A warm welcome to Betty Tepezano

Betty was born in Buffalo, New York. She is the oldest of seven children. Her mother was unhealthy, due to rheumatic fever, therefore Betty had lots of responsibilities from a young age. She often found pleasure in reading a good mystery book. Betty met her husband while serving as a juror together on a double murder case. This made for interesting conversation! They enjoyed life in Port Hueneme, for many years. Betty worked for the Ventura Unified School District; she was the personnel office manager working with administrators and teachers. For four years she taught shorthand in the adult education program. She retired in 2000 after 29 years of service.

Betty's husband passed away four years ago. She moved to the Ventura Townehouse in June and said she loved it from the day she moved in, saying she has a lovely apartment, good food, wonderful programs, and loves seeing all the many smiling faces. Betty has one son Patrick, and he has a sweet wife and two adorable daughters. They live close by in Oxnard.

Townehouse Management Team

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 Frank Jackson

**Director of Memory
Care** James Christianson

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Director of Housekeeping Alejandra Hernandez

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Chief Engineer Steve Drake
Assistant Engineer Cliserio Meza

Bus Driver Ed Cardona

Farewell to Marissa, our Director of Health Services

It is bittersweet to announce that Marissa, our Director of Health Services has relocated and changed jobs down south in Los Angeles. Marissa worked for the Townehouse for six years serving our residents, families, and employees. While we will miss Marissa, we are happy for her and her new adventure. Thank you, Marissa, for a job well done!

Evan Granucci

Voting Registration

If you are new and have not changed your address with the election board, you must do so to vote. The front desk has voter registration forms, no postage needed, and there are several residents who are willing to help you to fill it out if necessary. Just leave your name and phone number with the front desk if you need help. The Townehouse is a precinct by itself, and voting is by mail for your convenience.

Holiday Boutique

We are starting to make plans for our annual holiday arts and crafts boutique.

Each year we hold our annual Holiday Craft Boutique. Tables are set up in the Dining Room Lounge to displaying homemade craft items. On sale will be a variety of handmade jewelry, knitted items, quilts, paintings, decorative cards, books and more. All handmade by our Townehouse residents. The boutique this year will be scheduled before Thanksgiving.

