



Tierrasanta Village of San Diego **Village Vibes**

“Living for Today: Planning for Tomorrow”

November 2020

Tierrasanta Village (TVSD) is an active, nonprofit organization for residents aged 50+.
TVSD promotes social connections and helps our members thrive and remain independent.
We plan many special events and create activities for different passions and interests.

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Someone You Should Know.....by Carol Lee

Carol Higgins' parents met during WWII in northern California, where her dad from Kansas was in U.S. Army training, and her mom had moved from Missouri to live with her older sister. Her dad was sent overseas, where he was wounded in 1944 in St. Lo, France. When he returned from the service, the couple moved to Kansas to be near his family, who were long-time wheat farmers. That is how Carol Smith came to be born in the middle of Kansas farm country in the small town of Pratt.

Carol's dad didn't want to farm, so instead he went to business school. Carol was the first-born, but also had a younger sister and brother. Her mother loved California, and Carol grew up hearing about all the wonderful fruits and veggies and beautiful land there. So when Carol was eleven, the family moved to Escondido and bought a 3-acre plum ranch. There were big changes for Carol. At school they ate lunch outside at the base of a hill full of avocado trees; as a child of the prairie she kept wondering, *what is on the other side of that hill?* When Carol was ready to enter high school, her dad had a job opportunity in San Diego. They moved to Fletcher Hills, and she entered Grossmont High School.

Carol attended Westmont College in Santa Barbara, majoring in English. She had taken the education courses needed to become an English teacher. Her first job was teaching high school English at Orange High School in Orange, California.

After two years, she moved to LA and was active in church there, where she met her future husband. Bob Higgins' growing-up experiences were the opposite of Carol's. He grew up on the beach in La Jolla. His grandfather was Ellen Browning Scripps' chauffeur.

The two opposites attracted, and they were married three months after they met. They soon moved to Boston with a church group on a mission to establish a new church. While in Boston, Bob worked as a draftsman for a mechanical contracting company while Carol worked at Harvard's School of Public Health. Their first child, Brianna, was born in Boston and now lives in Encinitas with her husband and two children.

After five years in Boston, Bob's love of salmon fishing and the fact that his sister lived in Oregon lured the family there in 1978. Bob was a project manager for a mechanical contractor, and Carol obtained her elementary credential and taught Talented and Gifted (TAG) students in grades 4, 5, and 6. In Oregon, their second daughter, Lia, was born.

The couple enjoyed living in a suburb of Portland for twenty-one years, but the lure of proximity to the ocean and the weather in San Diego caused them to move back to SD when their daughters were grown. In 2000, they moved into Tierrasanta, and Carol taught 4th grade for ten years at The Children's School in La Jolla. After retiring from the classroom, Carol volunteered and was employed for five years by NAMI San Diego (National Alliance on Mental Illness) where she helped families with resources and led support groups.

Carol and Bob joined TVSD almost two years ago. Carol jumped right in by volunteering to be co-leader of the Neighborhood Groups Core Team. She feels strongly about the need to build a sense of community, especially in Southern California. The couple will celebrate their 50th year of marriage next summer.

WORDS TO LIVE By: "Wherever you go, no matter the weather, always bring your own sunshine!"



OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday
11:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Village Business

Cover Photo
Na Pali Cliffs
Kawai, Hawaii

President's Message **Janice Trantham**

At our October General Meeting 49 members registered to meet virtually on Zoom and two phoned into the meeting. We are delighted by our members' response to this first-time event. How wonderful to see or hear each other, many for the first time in months. It felt like a family reunion! Villagers shared an adventure in technology, got updates from Core Team Leaders, and heard inspiring personal experiences from Ginny Berlin, Jo Carle, and Donna Dobey.

Please plan to register and join the November General Meeting hosted by Marilyn Bente. She has an activity planned for us, so don't miss out on the fun.

We will not be meeting in December. But for the near future we'll continue to have monthly virtual meetings, starting January 2021, on our normal first Monday of the month schedule at 3:00. Meetings will be hosted by board members with different agendas. These monthly meetings are a great way to stay connected, see each other's smiling faces, and stay caught on what's going on at the Village.

Please read the article below taken from the Village Movement California's October 2020 Newsletter regarding Village Re-Openings.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us. Thank you!

Fran Zweibel, Administration

"Businesses around the state are making plans to re-open as counties make progress towards reaching the indicators for active COVID cases, hospitalizations, deaths, and more. On the other hand, congregate housing sites for older adults, like independent and assisted living, maintain strict guidelines for sheltering in place and barring visitors. That's because COVID remains easily transmitted, and is often deadly for older adults.

Villages throughout the state continue to do their work online and at a distance. Several are organizing small outdoor gatherings, but none have opened their offices or program spaces. Last May, Larry Meredith, retired director of Marin Health and Human Services, made a Zoom presentation about the first re-opening. He stated that the re-opening of businesses is driven by economic concerns, not health concerns. He maintained that villages are fundamentally in the business of supporting the health and well-being of their members and should be driven by health concerns.

We advise you to hold back from opening your indoor programs and meeting spaces and continue to follow local public health department and CDC guidelines until a vaccine is approved and widely available to the public."

Annual Donor Drive Request Letters Being Mailed

By Janice Trantham

November 1st kicks off our Annual Donor Drive (ADD). The Drive is only eight weeks and ends December 31st. Your donation is important because it helps fill the gap between our expected 2021 expenses and what we expect to get from membership dues next year. The amount raised from this fundraiser helps ensure we can pay the bills without dipping into savings or raising membership fees.

Watch for a request letter in the mail during the week of Nov. 9th. When considering a donation, please think about what the Village means to you, and how Village relationships enrich your life. With your donation, you can help make sure the Village continues to be here for all of us.

To make a tax-deductible donation, go to the TVSD website, click Support Us, click Making Donations. Scroll down and click Donations-Year End. Or if you prefer, send your check to the Village P.O. Box.

Our goal this year is \$10,000. As donations come in, watch the thermometer on the website rise. Please do your part to help. We appreciate you and your support.

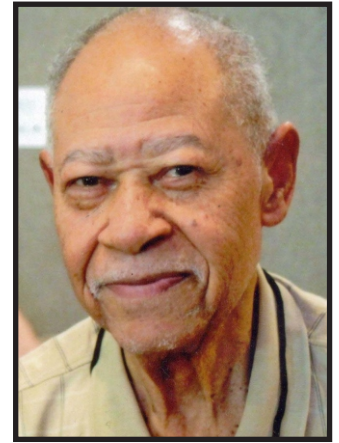
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Day light Save Time Ends	2 10:00 AM - Carol Lee's Zoom Coffee Chat 3:00 PM - TVSD Virtual General Meeting	3 Election Day	4 11:30 AM - Virtual Zoom Lunch Bunch	5 3:00 PM - Arts & Crafts by Carol & Bob Higgins	6 4:00 PM - Tambor Neighborhood Group Meeting	7
8	9 10:00 AM - Carol Lee's Zoom Coffee Chat	10 3:00 PM - Zoom - Rueda Neighborhood Group	11 Veterans Day / Remembrance Day 4:30 PM - Happy Hour	12 3:00 PM - Zoom Book Club Meeting	13 1:00 PM - Knitting In The Park	14
15	16 10:00 AM - Carol Lee's Zoom Coffee Chat	17 11:30 AM - Tuesday Lunch Bunch 1:00 PM - Fran Zweibel's Zoom Coffee Chat	18 1:00 PM - Core Team Meeting/Workshop	19	20 1:00 PM - New Coping Strategies for Caretakers	21
22	23 10:00 AM - Carol Lee's Zoom Coffee Chat	24	25	26 Thanksgiving	27	28
29	30 10:00 AM - Carol Lee's Zoom Coffee Chat	Dec 1				



RAY L. NEWBILL -- LIFE JOURNEY

November 26, 1937 – March 22, 2020

Ray L. Newbill was born on November 26, 1937 to Frances Young (Bell) and Marcellus Newbill in Grant, Oklahoma. He was the proud son of Frances Bell and Roosevelt Bell, (step-dad) who both preceded him in death. He was a loving and devoted son to his mother and step-dad (whom he always referred to as "Dad").



When Ray was 5 years old the family moved to Richmond, CA. Growing up in South Richmond, Ray was taught to play sports at the early age of nine years old by an older neighborhood friend. He taught him to play football, basketball and baseball. Later on when he attended El Cerrito High School, Ray played all three sports and excelled in baseball. In high school Ray played baseball against the great Frank Robinson, Vada Pinson and Curt Flood who were at McClymonds High School in Oakland, CA. Ray graduated from high school in 1954 at age 16 and attended San Jose State where he played varsity baseball and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Business.

In his early years, Ray loved music and loved to sing as well! He sang in the Youth, Gospel, and Senior Choirs at his Methodist Church in Palo Alto, CA. As a young man who had his own car, he always offered rides to those that didn't have transportation (young and older adults) whenever needed.

Ray was drafted by the Kansas City Royals in 1958 and in 1961 was drafted by the U.S. Army while playing Minor League baseball and spent two years in the Army (during the Korean War) and received an Honorable Discharge in 1963. In 1964, Ray was called up to the Royals Major League Club where he played baseball for nine years enjoying a great career as a First Baseman.

Ray was blessed with a son and a daughter from a previous marriage. He was a caring and devoted father to both his children and later became a grandfather to twin grandsons and was fortunate to watch them as they played little league baseball.

Over the course of his employment history in the Bay Area, Ray worked at NASA's Ames Research Center, General Electric Co. as a Senior Purchasing Agent for 24 years, Hine Design and Novelis as a Buyer.

In May 2005, Ray married Patricia (Trish) Crumes and relocated to San Diego to enjoy retirement life and both united in 2006 with Bayview Baptist Church. Ray served as Sports Writer for the **Bayviewer Newsletter Ministry** and also on the **Welcome Ministry** with his wife Trish until his health began to fail.

While residing in San Diego, they both were members of the Tierrasanta Village of San Diego and Ray joined the Romeo Club and together they enjoyed the monthly Lunch Bunch and volunteered for the yearly community Taste of Tierrasanta and Garage Sale.

Ray passed peacefully on Sunday morning, March 22, 2020, at the age of 83.

Throughout Ray's life, he was an inspiration to many people and will be greatly missed.

Wonderful News – TVSD California Non-Profit Status Restored

We are happy to report that TVSD is considered Active by the state of California and is now a non-profit in good standing. This means that all TVSD donations are deductible on both your State and Federal income taxes. The Village is again eligible to apply for County and State grants.

Many thanks to Rhoda Keegan who worked countless hours and the team who provided all the information to restore our status. The dedication and perseverance of Rhoda and other volunteers is appreciated!

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TVSD Book Club Selections

2020

Publish Date

Nov.	The Moment of Lift	Melinda Gates	4/1/2019
Dec.	Magpie Murders	Horowitz, Anthony	10/1/2016

2021

Jan.	Dr. Zhivago	Pasternack, Boris	5/10/1957
Jan.	Spying on the South	Horwitz, Tony	5/1/2019
Feb.	Ordinary Grace	Krueger, William Kent	3/1/2013

Veterans Day Memories



2015 USS Iowa Tour

<https://www.smugmug.com/app/organize/TVSD-Material/USS-IOWA-Tour-with-TVSD>



2014 TVSD Tour on USS Midway

<https://www.smugmug.com/app/organize/TVSD-Material/Romeo-Group-on-USS-Midway>





TVSD 2009 at City Hall with Marti Emerald



Candy Walsh, Susan Deininger, Jasmine Shah



Early Bake Sale Fundraiser



Social Historian Committee, December 2011

Oscar Night March 2011



*Villagers at the Tierrasanta Foundation Party at Khan's Cave:
Dick & Linda Rees, Pam Chapman,
Rosa & Eric Germain; Liz Feightner; the Rees's; Bev Slater-Sheehan and Cathie
Parks; Cathie, the Rees's and Pam; Louise Hunt; Catie Somers*