



the Write Shot

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HAPPY HOLIDAYS



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President's Message

It's That Time – Again.

And I'm not talking about daylight savings.

This is my last message as the club president. I would like to take this occasion to thank all the volunteers that have helped over the last year.

Some are very obvious.

We all notice the greens and the grounds but we have tons of others that seem to blend into the background.

I have had people that organize the Southwest tournaments, handle the hospitality, help set up the greens and publish the Write Shot, the club's monthly newsletter.

It's that time of the year.

And then there's the occasional task (captured in the photo on the front cover) like Candy DeFazio, Eileen Lancendorfer and Bobby Sweetland decorating the Christmas tree in the club house lobby

Others are rarely acknowledged.

More low key are those that set up the greens every day, handle the daily drawing and generally help the club function.

Not to be forgotten are those we never think of that handle the recycling, bring in the trash cans from the street and even do the laundry.

Please keep it up.

To all those dedicated members, I offer my sincere thanks and hope that you will continue to help the new president the same way you helped me.

Did you put it in the box?



Remember the Christmas party on Sunday, December 10th.

Candy and Eileen are handling it and I am sure that it will be a great success.

Please sign up and deposit your check in the lobby mail box if you have not already done so.

Your vote counts – we're counting on you.

Our elections are on Sun., Dec. 17. The slate for officers and board members for 2018 as prepared by the nominating committee is:

President: Laurie Richards
Vice President: Eileen Lancendorfer & Jim Lee
Secretary: Dorothy Johnson
Treasurer: Candy DeFazio

Board Members:

John Arbogast
Shirley Price
Bob Daniels
John Allen
Heidi Rittner

NOTE: Person casting their vote will do so by picking up a ballot at the club house on election day, fill it out and putting it into the ballot box. You cannot make the ballot out ahead of time.

Remember, if you can't vote that day you can have another member vote for you as a PROXY vote – not an absentee ballot (absentee ballots will not be counted).

When voting by proxy, you must name the person who will do your voting and hand it to them, they in turn must submit your proxy ballot at the club house on the designated day. Watch your email for a proxy ballot form which will be sent out two weeks in advance of voting day.

Peter Sinclair

A Little Of This...

Ladies Day Wednesday, December 20

The annual Ladies Day Christmas Luncheon/Bowling is coming up. Dress is Holiday Casual.



Attendees are asked to bring a wrapped gift to be raffled off. Raffle tickets will be sold before & during the luncheon for \$1 each. The profit from the raffle will help pay the difference of \$3 each for the caterer.

The menu is Mushroom Soup, Beef Stroganoff & Cherry topped Cheesecake for dessert. (Are you getting hungry !!?)

This year we will only have one green with eight rinks will be available as the other is being refurbished.

If you haven't signed up do so by sending Norma Goodhart a check for \$15.00 made out to SWWD (which covers both the bowling & luncheon) will get to bowl. (Her address is 1502 Lakeside Lane, Huntington Beach.)

Be sure to let Norma know what position you want to play. For more information and sign-up sheet, go to SWlawnbowls.org and click on Ladies Day.

Norma Goodhart



Ready For Another Riddle ?

This one was blatantly "ripped-off" from Genius Puzzles (gpuzzles.com) Where they got it, we don't know.

If you had five mango and two bananas in one hand and two mango and four bananas in the other hand – what would you have?

The answers is on page three – NO PEEKING!

Turkey Shoot, Sunday November 5



Tony Crutchfield took on the challenge to organize and run the Turkey Shoot which was held in Hermosa Beach with 20 participants.

LBLBC had 10 bowlers and took most of the top prizes.

Heidi Rittner gobbled up 1st place for the "Turkey" (\$50 cash) with Greg Goltgart plucking a feather with 2nd place (\$30 cash)



Other club winners were Robert Busciglio,



Herb Glazeroff and Flor Wright.



Flor was a last minute



entry who graciously stood in for No-Show Bob Daniels.

Too embarrassed to show his face.

Bob screwed up royally and forgot to check his calendar for Sunday until 5pm in the evening, at which time he realized he was the real Turkey Of The Day.

A Little Of That...

Put Another Candle On Your Birthday Cake, and...

Kay Hudnall	Dec. 3
Pashi Vakiva	Dec. 3
Gregory Pike	Dec. 5
Steve Curran	Dec. 6
Sean Homan	Dec. 7
Allen Reinking	Dec. 7
Robyn Howland	Dec, 17
Tim Parker	Dec. 18
Bernie Crabtree	Dec. 27
Flor Wright	Dec. 27



Birthdays during the month of December

A Little Primer On Member Etiquette

Etiquette is necessary to the success of our club are based on three member traits:

- Good Etiquette
- Kindness
- Courtesy.

It is especially important that every member display these traits at all times.

If new members are offended, they may not be pleased with the sport and/or our club, resulting in them leaving.

The most prevalent reason for members (old and new) leaving the club is they have been offended in one manner or other.

Remember, the friendships one develops are the most important part of lawn bowling – not winning.



Time To Take A Break

Pat Gonzales and Morris Jolly will be taking a break from giving Clinics & Lessons on Saturdays and Mondays. They will be resuming after the first of the year 2018.

This News Just In

You probably have seen Greg Gogart and others struggling with getting the equipment down and back off of the greens in order to do maintenance.

Well, things will get easier now as the club will have new ramps thanks to the generosity of Greg Jones and Mike Mirabal.

What's A Groaner?

It's something Bob Breen would excel in doing – telling a Groaner from “Worlds Best Bad Jokes & Puns”. This one is Happy Holiday appropriate. Here goes:

A guy goes into a restaurant for breakfast at Christmas time. After looking over the menu he orders eggs Benedict. When his breakfast arrives, it's served on a big, shiny hubcap.

He asks the waiter, “What's with the hubcap?” The waiter breaks out singing, “There's no plate like chrome for the hollandaise!”

The Answer To The Riddle

The answer to the riddle on page 2 is – (are you ready for it?)

BIG HANDS

And Some More Of That



Let's Do It Again...

You were very giving last year!

It's time for the Annual Lydia House Canned Food Drive

LBLBC's 36th year in support.

Every year at this time, we the Lawn Bowling members have given back to the Long Beach community. We provide #10 cans of fruit and vegetables. No cash is given, only food.

This is an opportunity to give back.

We contribute to the Lydia House which is a shelter for women and moms with children. The season gives us an opportunity to count our blessings and a chance to help those who are struggling.

Gayle Merrill and Peter Sinclair will be ever so happy to take your cash or check. If you do write a check, please make it out to Gayle Merrill – on the memo area state *Lydia House Canned Food Drive*

Gayle will purchase and deliver the food in the first week of January 2018. A receipt will be given to the Club Treasurer.

Any Questions?



Please contact Gayle at 562-597-7968.

Gayle will also pick up items that can be recycled for ladies, children and men. If Lydia House cannot use it, they put it

in their store and when sold, all proceeds go to Lydia House.

If you have any items that you would like to donate, Gayle's Locker is #36 (next to the newspapers) – just put Gayle's name on the sack.

Thank you in advance for your kindness.

Gayle Merrill

Who's The Mystery Member?

Can you guess who is the Mystery Member for this month?

To be revealed in next months issue.



And This Too...

Did you figure out who the November Mystery Member was?

It was none other than Pat Curran.

He was born in Pasadena and grew up in Northeast LA-El Sereno.

Pat graduated from Don Bosco Technical High School, majoring in Metallurgy

When he was 17 he joined the Army Reserve. Following that stint, he attended the University of San Diego, East LACC, and CSULB.

From 1963 until Pat retired in 1992, he served in LAPD.

Pat and his wife, Trudi, travelled all over the US, Canada & Mexico in a RV for



nine years; now they take cruises and shorter road trips when not bowling.

More times than not, you'll see Pat volunteering to help set up the equipment required for morning Draw Bowling.



Puzzler Answer For November Photos

Did you identify all ten differences?

November Puzzler

1. Herbs leg bandage gone
2. More trees in background
3. Chucks right pant leg longer
4. Herb's bowl lifter is missing
5. More flowers behind Bob's armpit
6. The pole across the top of the fence is missing
7. Bob's lost his belt
8. Herb's shirt is longer
9. The pole holding the scoreboard is bigger
10. Chuck's hat is taller



December Puzzler!

How observant are you?

Stephanie Johnson and Laurie Richards are egging on their team mates to score the winning head.

Can you score the ten different things changed in the bottom photo?

You will be able to compare what you see with the correct answers in the next Write Shot.



10 things

When you find one,
check off a box to
keep score.

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