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Just back home in Park Ridge, Illinois, from their sixth visit to Sun City (and just in time to get ready for that bitter cold weather) LOUIS AND LORAINE CARNEHL of 918 Sylviawood Avenue, Park Ridge, wrote to say: "We are just delighted with our new house at 13306 Prospect Drive in Sun City West. They had key inspection while here and admitted, "It was very difficult for us to return north, leaving our new house." Lou is a salesman for Complete-Reading Electric Co.; Loraine is a secretary for a Park Ridge company. And they're looking forward to the move to Sun City West so they can enjoy the lifestyle "and activities that can only be found there, as well as the gentler climate of the Southwest." They're also looking forward to hearing from and about neighbors-to-be.

We had an item in our October Newsletter about a couple of military people, COL. and MRS. JAMES C. CONINE from Marble Falls, Texas, moving into Sun City for temporary quarters while waiting to get into their Sun City West home at 18611 Maplewood Dr. Now we have a nice letter from GORDON B. KNIGHT of Marble Falls, president of the Texas Council of Chapters, a retired officers' association, who wrote: "We lost two - you gained two! I refer to Col. and Mrs. Conine. Their activities here (in Marble Falls) have been just super. Incidentally, we made him our first "Honorable Life Member". I'm sure you will be able to call upon him for such assistance that you may need. Yes - we will miss both Harriet and Jim from our social gatherings and wish for them a very happy life in their Sun City West home."

The PASTILLAS (JOHN AND WILMA) of 26563 Bryan, Dearborn Heights, Michigan, have a Sun City West home on the golf course at 19610 130th Avenue. Both have been working for Ford Motor Co. more than 28 years and are working toward 30-year retirement. Both plan to participate in crafts, golfing and swimming once they are in their new home.

Sun City Westers are going to join Sun Citians in a two-day Arts and Crafts Festival in the Sun Bowl January 13 and 14 which will be a highlight of the 19th Anniversary of Sun City. Participation is limited to residents of the two cities and members of clubs and churches of the communities. Categories of participation will include display and sales of art, ceramics, lapidary, china painting and handicrafts; display without sales to include rockhounds, sportsmen, agricultural and collectors; demonstrations, including radio, camera, bicycle, model railroad and trailer; entertainment, such as dance, theater, and round and square dancing. Hours for the Arts and Crafts Fair will be 10 AM to 5 PM. on January 13 and 1-4 PM January 14. Entry forms, to be filed by January 3, are available at Del E. Webb Development Co., sponsor, and at Recreation Center offices at Sundial, Lakeview and Bell Centers. The anniversary also will be celebrated at January 13 dances from 8 to 11 PM at Mountain View, Lakeview, Sundial and Bell Centers and on January 21 with an Anniversary Show beginning at 2 PM in the Sun Bowl. The events celebrate the 19th Anniversary of the grand opening January 1, 1960, when an estimated 100,000 to 125,000 visitors streamed into Sun City to look at model homes, a recreational and community center, golf course, shopping center, motor hotel and small restaurant. Based on what visitors saw, the Webb Company sold some 272 Sun City homes that week-end, and almost unbelievable Arizona accomplishment in 1960. Today, in the new Sun City West, and even more surprising development record is unfolding.

MRS. MABEL CLARK of 432 The Kingsway Islington, Ontario, Canada, M9A, 3W2, and her daughter-in-law, GRACE CLARK, have purchased a Sun City West home at 12927 Maplewood Drive scheduled for completion in April, and they're anxious to become Arizonans. Mrs. Clark is no stranger to Arizona, first visiting in 1961 and returning almost annually, always doing considerable "exploring" of the state in her travels. For more than 30 years her family has operated a summer resort on the Lake Huron shore in the Bruce Peninsula area of Ontario, and has had many American families as guests. Now she's wondering if any of those former guests are Sun City residents or plan to move to Sun City West. She's anxious to hear from future neighbors, or folks from Ontario planning to move to Sun City West.

Quite a few Sun City Westers have joined in the Sun City Fitness Festival, which officially began October 30 and to date has attracted more than 900 entrants. Sponsored by the Del E. Webb Development Co., the Festival is dedicated to the idea that a regular program of physical activity promotes a healthy, happy and longer life. A two-mile "Fun Walk" was held on a December Sunday afternoon and hundreds participated. It began with warm-up exercises at the Sun Bowl. Leaders emphasized it was not a competitive event and that no one wins, no one loses. Walkers left the Sun Bowl, walked south on 107th Avenue, crossed through the Mountain View recreation center parking area, went east on Mission Lane and returned to the Sun Bowl via 103rd and 107th Avenues. A special bike-a-thon and a third special event, as yet undetermined, also are planned for the Festival. Events conclude in March with a "commencement" ceremony at which Dr. Ken Cooper, developer of the astronauts' training program, will be featured speaker.

More get-acquainted and entertainment events for earliest Sun City West residents were presented during December, beginning with a Newcomers' Coffee December 5 at the Lakes Club and winding up with a New Year's Eve party at Fountainbell December 31. Sponsored by the Webb Development Company, the events included a lecture December 6 at the Suntowner on "Wilderness Alberta" from the National Audubon Society, a Christmas "shopping spree" to Scottsdale by bus on December 13, an information Get-together at Fountainbell December 15, a Christmas Program in the Sun Bowl at 2 PM December 17 and a Christmas Dance that night in the Lakes Club, a Christmas Luncheon and speaker at noon at Fountainbell December 21 and then the December 31 New Year's Eve party.

In the 1977 Fiesta Bowl Parade, an outstanding wintertime Phoenix presentation, Sun City's float won the Sweepstakes Award.....and its sponsors weren't about to be outdone this year. So the 1978 float depicted the beauty of Sun City and Sun City West, as well as the active way of life of their residents. And the new Sun City float was accorded the lead-off position among 29 floats which, along with more than 100 equestrian riders, scores of clowns and 32 bands attracted more than 200,000 spectators along the downtown line of march. Once again the Sun City float, "Holiday and Happy Times" was accorded "most outstanding" in its class. The float's central attraction was a large, live Christmas tree, revolving as the float moved. Sun Citians JOE AND ELAINE HEROLD and Sun City Westers LUMAN AND MARY WICK were busily decorating the tree. All were dressed in holiday attire, and the scene was viewed through a "window" created by a large Christmas card that surrounded the rear portion of the float. Featured at the float front were residents involved in favorite activities---JOHN AND CONNIE KROLL bicycling, BILL HOLLOWAY playing tennis, HELEN BUDDE jogging and BETTY La Londe golfing. All were dressed appropriately for their activities, and performed with a background of Christmas music. Congratulations certainly are due not only to those who appeared on the float but to the many who worked diligently in the planning and preparation.

And for you Sun City Westers, that's our "lead-off report" for 1979. But there'll be more news in February.

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain

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Sun City West, which welcomed the new year with the grand opening of ENCORE, its stellar collection of modern model homes, is growing by leaps and bounds. Estimates are its permanent residents may number 2,000 by February. And as interested home buyers and hundreds of interested and curious from Phoenix and other valley communities flocked to see the twenty showplaces, the Del E. Webb Development Co. was presenting its answer to the oft-asked question: "What could possibly be an Encore to such a smash hit as Sun City?" The Webb answer is plain. The 20 models include single-family, duplex, garden apartment and patio apartment styles. They offer energy efficiency built in -- both electric heat pump air conditioning AND evaporative cooling, solar water heating, double window units (Ford sunglass in south and west facing windows, as determined by architect) and dual-glazed sliding doors for better insulation. Hundreds of fresh ideas are offered in interior decorating and landscaping. And among the amenities in Sun City West are a beautifully landscaped park overlooking the city's spectacular Hillcrest Golf Course and -- now taking shape -- the greatest private complex for recreation, arts and crafts, theatrical entertainment and social events ever built in the Southwest.

It is a pretty well known fact that when Arizona, particularly the central and southern portions, experience a wet winter, Mother Nature turns the desert lands into a veritable flower garden during the months of March, April and May. So for you future residents of Sun City and Sun City West, better try your durndest to be here in March, April and May for one of the greatest flower shows on earth, spread out on the deserts and mountains of Southern Arizona, and it <u>really</u> SHOULD BE SOMETHING! For the year 1978 "bowed out" with more wet weather for Arizona, especially Sun City and Sun City West, but including Phoenix and virtually all other parts of the state. The first week in December already had brought frigid rain and snow which swept out of the Pacific Northwest, moved across Arizona and on Eastward, cloaking Eastern states with severe winter weather which held on going into 1979. But Arizona had a deluge of rain the third week in December, bringing floods statewide as you may have learned in your local press. So, Sun City wound up the year with total rainfall of 17.56 inches, one of its wettest years since its inception. Phoenix weather in 1978 was the third wettest and third warmest on record with the National Weather Service. A total of 15.23 inches of rain drenched the city last year, short of the record 19.73 that fell in 1905, or the 16.26 inches in 1941. Average temperature for the year in Phoenix was 73.6 degrees, compared with a record 74.9 degrees in 1934. Sunniest year in Phoenix was 1960, with 94 percent sunshine. Least sunniest was 1935 with 75 per cent sunshine. And the sunshine in 1978 was 83 per cent.

A note and a holiday greeting from the W.F. O'SULLIVANS of Union, New Jersey, brings word they'll be moving soon to their new Sun City West home at 17819 134th Avenue, now that Bill is retired. They're happy, too, to have a neice and nephew, Arlene and Kenny Brown, moving from Andover, Mass., to a Sun City home on Redwood Drive.

The HESSELINKS (DON AND NAN) of Mason City, Iowa, welcomed the New Year with word that their Mason City home had finally been sold and they were preparing for a mid-January arrival to occupy their new Sun City West home at 13245 Mesa Verde Drive. They retired three years ago, had visited Sun City three times and on their second visit last September made the decision to become Sun City Westers. Nan is a retired bookkeeper and Don spent 27 years with Blue Cross-Blue Shield of Iowa. Nan loves to play bridge,

has some interest in arts and crafts, and wants to learn to swim. Don plays a little golf, loves to fish and is very interested in wood-working and furniture refinishing. And they look forward with great anticipation to settling in Sun City West.

The GERALD B. KRULIKS of Elmhurst, New York, anticipate and April arrival in Sun City West, following a visit last August. His wife, Hilda, wrote the Gerry had just retired as an operations analyst after 31 years with H.E.W. Hilda is a former vocalist and 15 years ago was appearing with groups in Scottsdale at the Executive House Arizonan. Gerry is a paddle-ball and handball enthusiast and they expect to participate in many Sun City West activities.

Mrs. VIVIAN N.L. BOLAND of Los Angeles will be arriving in late February or early March, accompanied by her Pekenise, Che Che Yen Toi, to take up residence in their Sun City West condominium at 13431 Copperstone Drive. She was with California Savings and Loan Association's Wilshire Boulevard Plaza office from 1958 to 1976, retired, then went back to work part-time in 1977 and 1978, completing 20 years. She has a son, Jim, his wife, Candice, four grandchildren and one great-grandchild, whom she expects to entertain on Sun City West visits. A sister and husband have been Sun City residents two years, and it was on a visit with them that Vi decided on retirement in Sun City West. And she's mighty happy her neighbors will include Rose and Barry Ratner of Monsey, New York.

From Hamilton, Ontario, Canada, comes word from EARL DOUGHERTY, 200 Golden Orchard Drive, that he and his wife enjoy the Newsletters and are really looking forward to January of 1980 when they expect to move into their Sun City West garden apartment at 134th Drive. But Earl also has been studying Sun City West maps and is a bit perplexed at the abundance of streets, avenues, drives, etc., with similar names, such as two courts in different areas with 132nd Drives and 132nd Avenues. He feels more names should be used on streets and fewer numbers. But he closes with the admonition, "Keep up the good work!"

Outstanding sports entertainment will be paraded before Sun City Westers and Sun Citians when the Milwaukee Brewers open 1979 spring training in Sun City Stadium on March 8 of 25 exhibition clashes, they'll play 14 in Sun City Stadium, all beginning at 1 PM. The Brewers take on the Giants March 8, Cubs March 10, Indians March 12, Giants March 14, Angels March 15, Padres March 16, Mariners March 20, Athletics March 23 and 25, Giants March 26, Cubs March 27, Angels March 28, Padres March 29, and Mariners March 31.

What is Rio Salado? It is a college beyond walls, and it offers some classes in Sun City. It is dedicated to providing life-long learning opportunities to all of the citizens of Maricopa County at places and times most convenient to those people. It utilizes a variety of teaching systems such as traditional classroom settings, television, correspondence courses, radio and newspapers, etc. Where is the campus? Wherever people need it to be, and there is no acreage designated as campus. Now, for interested Sun Citians, Rio Salado has an informative folder explaining Rio Salado. You can pick up a copy at Del E. Webb Development Co. offices in Bell Plaza or write to Rio Salado, 2300 North Central Avenue, Phoenix, 85004.

The ROTHENBERGS (SIDNEY AND RENEE) of Brooklyn, N.Y. expected to be moving into 9603 Terrace Lane in Sun City last June, but it took almost to year end to finalize sale of their Brooklyn home, so they got around to the Arizona key inspection last month. And Rothenberg, recalling the December Newsletter item about BUDDY FAUGHT, former Marine Corps fighter pilot in World War II, says he remembers Faught well along with other Marine fighter pilots with Pappy Boyington's "Black Sheep" squadron when he (Rothenberg) was a Marine Corps first sergeant in Florida where they took air carrier flight training, along with other pilots who were to become aces, such as Joe Foss, Gregory Weissenberger and many others who would come into Sidney's office twice monthly to pick up pay checks. And Rothenberg believes there may be old shipmates who served with him on the U.S.S. Wakefield who are now residing in Sun City or Sun City West. And if so, he'd like to hear from them. Rothenberg also reminds us he sent a list of 189 suggested street names for Sun City West, and we certainly hope he recognizes some of his suggestions among West Street names! And Sidney and Renee say they don't mind at all getting away from the ice and snow they left behind in Brooklyn.

Well, friendly readers, I'll be back in March with another chapter of news on what's doing in our Sun Cities.....

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One year ago — February 15, 1978 — Sun City West was born.

On that bright winter day some 200 civic and business leaders turned out to shovel soil and set into motion the construction of the Del E. Webb Development Co.'s new 13,000-acre resort-retirement community.

During the past year Sun City West has been transformed from a barren piece of ground to a community some 1,000 persons now call home. More than 1,200 homes have been built in the new community, along with 326 vacation apartments, $1.9 million restaurant and banquet facility, a par-72 championship golf course, a giant

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model home show and a nearly-completed $6.2 million recreation complex.

Sun City West Phase I, a 5,700-acre tract, will include six full-length golf courses, three recreation centers and approximately 17,000 housing units. Expected Phase I population is 32,500, with 80 percent of the residents coming from other states.

As is evident from the community's progress, the one-year interim since groundbreaking has been characterized by heavy-scale construction.

At the center of the community's 5,700-acre first phase is Hillcrest Golf Course, a 6,960-yard challenge that is now open for public play. The course features three lakes — one of them 20 acres in size — that come into play on 14 holes. In addition, 78 well-positioned sand traps dot the layout. Hillcrest is the first of six courses in Phase I.



Luman and Mary Wick, formerly of Topeka, Kansas, became Sun City West's first residents October 16, 1978. When asked why they chose Sun City West as their retirement home, Luman mentioned that he could play golf all winter long and Mary said she liked the area's friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Joining the Wicks as initial residents were Edward and Clarice Uhl of Alameda, California.

Crestview Restaurant opened in January and it has served thousands of residents, visitors and vacationers in its 265-seat dining area and 320-seat banquet room.

Encore, the Sun City West Model Home Show, opened in mid-December and more than 65,000 persons have toured the homes to date. The Encore homes feature a comprehensive energy saving package that includes a solar water heater as standard, a first for the industry in Arizona. Encore highlights 20 different floorplans — 10 of them single-family homes, four duplexes, four garden apartments and two patio apartments.

The social hall of Johnson Recreation Center will open in March, the center's 15 tennis courts shortly thereafter and the remainder of the center in the second quarter of this year. Johnson will be Arizona's largest private facility for recreational and creative activities. It will include such things as a 24-lane bowling alley, a ¼-mile running track and a penny arcade.

Construction of the 6,800-seat Sun Dome Center for the Performing Arts has begun and completion is set for 1980.

Including all facilities, construction costs of Sun City West Phase I are in excess of $1 billion. In terms of economic impact on the Phoenix Metropolitan area, Phase I construction will provide jobs for approximately 55,000 workers over the projected seven-to-nine year development period, with incomes from those jobs exceeding $706 million.

In addition, Sun City West will create a need for approximately 2,100 persons in retail and service employment and another 350 in administrative and professional fields.

With its projected population of 32,500, Phase I's impact on county and state retail sales alone is expected to top $124 million.

And what about the people who plan to make Sun City West their home? Well, they are people from all parts of the U.S. and some foreign lands; people who want to share a unique life style with friendly, interesting peers in a city of beauty of which they can be proud.

A letter from Morris Weingarten of 10013 Woodland Drive, Silver Spring, Maryland, states the Weingartens are looking forward to completion of their Sun City West home at 12906 Skyview Drive. And until they can settle there, he requests a street map "so your Newsletter would be more meaningful" and so he could "identify places" and the location of neighbors. So we sent him a copy of the brand new Sun City West brochure which includes a map of the first phase of the new city. We plan to include a map in a future issue of our Newsletter. It will help you locate friends and neighbors you will be meeting upon arrival and while settling down. Of course, no need to wait, start corresponding ahead of time (postage rates will never be lower).

And what about those already residing in Sun City West? Well, THEY'RE BUSY. A lively activities schedule planned by our Public Relations people — namely our affable Don Tuffs who directs tours, and busy Dave Samp who is always behind the camera for pictures such as you'll find in this issue — have been keeping Westers meeting with neighbors, participating in a variety of community events, and doing considerable traveling around the Valley to see the sights of such cities as Phoenix, Scottsdale, Tempe and others. Included in their own home town activities has been everything from square dancing to wine tasting to attending an Erma Bombeck television show taping, as well as visits to Luke Air Force Base for guided tours of one of the largest air fighter bases in the free world. A Sun City West bridge club has been formed to meet each Tuesday, and square dancing, with caller Alex Nagy providing instruction, is held each Monday at Crestview Restaurant. Westers joined in a weekend arts and crafts fair at the Sun City Sun Bowl and others participated in a Bike for Health Ride, a special event of the Sun City Fitness Festival. Westers began to gain acquaintance with other Valley communities on bus trips and guided tours of the Phoenix Metropolitan area, also visiting Paradise Valley, Scottsdale's Fifth Avenue Shops and the Arizona State University campus.

Meanwhile, the mail brings other news of future Sun City West residents. Mrs. John W. Senften of Mansfield, Ohio, writes to report that about the first of March she and Jack should be moving to their new Sun City West home at 13403 Castle Rock Drive. Jack is taking early retirement from the Ohio Brass Co. in Mansfield where he has worked as a development engineer the past 15 years. They visited Sun City two years ago this summer "and liked everything and everyone." Their salesman and his wife, Ed and Dorothy Ragatz, were former neighbors in Columbus, Neb., and Ginny adds she and Jack are looking forward to "throwing away the snow shovel and getting rid of the lawn mower." They "hack" at golf, do a little bowling, and enjoy dancing.



The first Sun City West Get-Acquainted Newcomers Coffee was conducted in November 1978. After about an hour of socializing over coffee and sweet rolls, a drawing for door prizes produced these delighted and delightful winners.

To keep the Sun City West Newsletter interesting to our readers, we're requesting *more letters* from you, and you, and YOU ALL! We'd appreciate hearing from WESTERS who plan to move to Sun City West during 1979, or anytime in the future! Please write and tell us where you're from, how long you've resided in your home state, something about your lives, your accomplishments and your dreams, what both of you (husband and wife) do for a living, something about your family, your schools, etc., etc. And, incidentally, what led you to select Sun City West for retirement? Was it a "spur of the moment" choice, or a decision made after careful consideration? Tell us anything newsworthy that would make for interesting reading. It's two-way correspondence that will cultivate immediate friendships. I, for one, will immediately become your friend if you comply . . . so get busy, please write!

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain



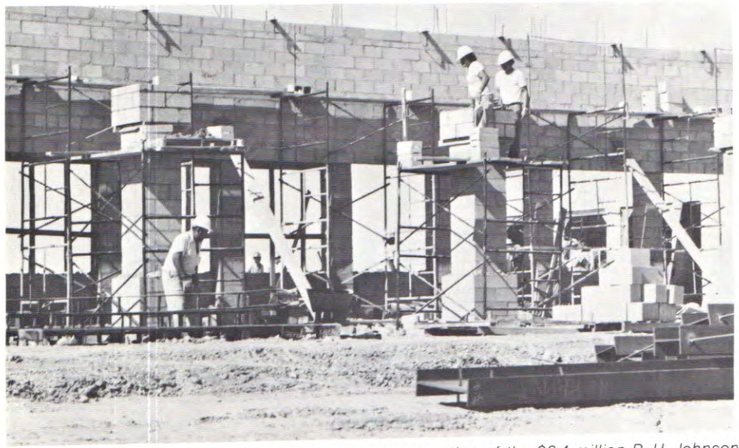
APRIL 1978 — Sun City West site development begins with graders leveling the land.



APRIL 1978 — Giant earth-moving equipment scrape and grade in what will be the core area of the community's 5,700-acre first phase.



— The outlines of future residential streets and the 20-acre lake at the center of Hillcrest Golf Course are prominent as Sun City West starts to take shape.



JUNE 1978 — Brick masons raise columns as construction of the $6.4 million R. H. Johnson Recreation Center begins.



MAY 1978 — Surveyors gaze past their transit during the initial stages of construction of Crestview Restaurant.



— Nearly-finished walls begin to define Crestview's 30,000- square ...e facility's construction cost: $1.9 million.



JUNE 1978 — Standing on scaffold supports, brick masons build the exterior walls of Crestview. The masons are among some 1,000 Development Company field personnel.





AUGUST 1978 — The construction of several hundred homes and golf course.



...apartments has begun and site work has started on Phase I's second



NOVEMBER 1978 — Sun City West's vacation apartments move toward completion. For $150, visitors enjoy a one-week stay (two weeks in summer) that includes golf, recreation, a breakfast and tour, a Chuckwagon dinner and lots of sunshine.



JANUARY 1979 - Crestview, with dining room seating for 265 persons and banquet facilities for 320, opens its doors. Through its back window lies an unobstructed view of Hillcrest's lush green fairways.





OCTOBER 1978 — As more and more homes are completed, site preparation begins for new residential sections south toward Bell Road. Water fills Hillcrest's primary lake. Bell Housing Components is at lower left.



JANUARY 1979 — A sparkling chandelier greets people in the foyer of Crestview Restaurant. The facility also features a visitor information center, a television lounge, a beauty salon, a gift shop and an Avis Rent-A-Car office.



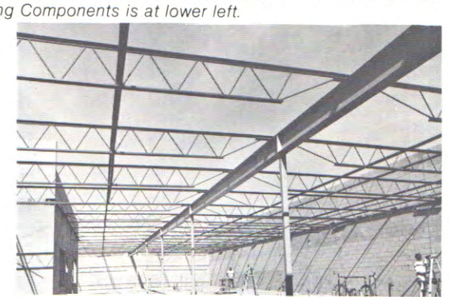
FEBRUARY 1979 — Hillcrest Golf Course opens for play. The 6,960-yard course plays to par 72 for men and 75 for women. It features 78 sand traps and water comes into play on 14 holes.



NOVEMBER 1978 — The late afternoon sun creates a pattern of shadows as a carpenter aligns the roof trusses on a future Sun City West home.



JANUARY 1979 — Johnson Rec Center, Arizona's largest private facility for recreational and creative activities, moves toward a second-quarter 1979 opening. The center's 40,000-volume library is in the foreground.



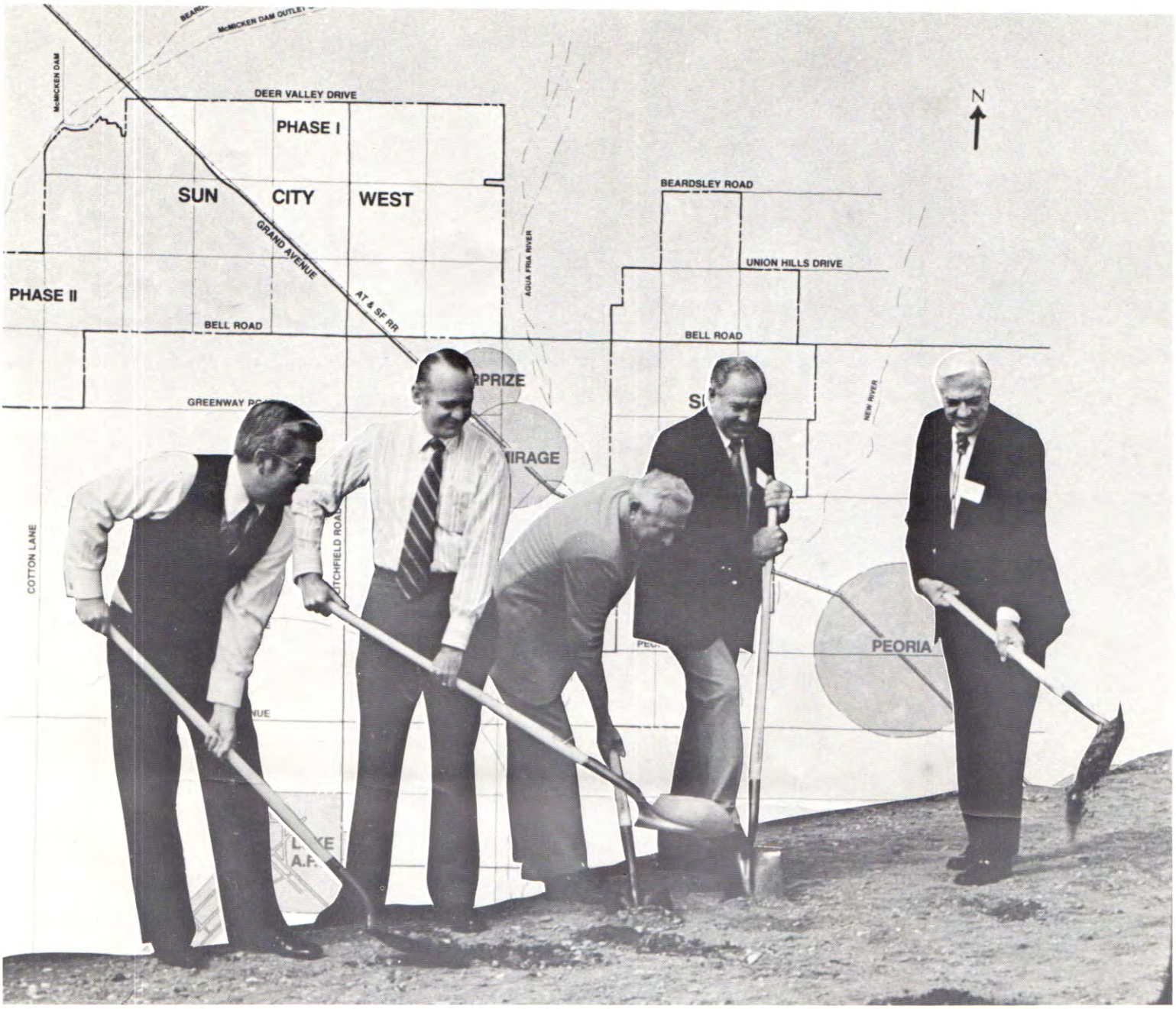
NOVEMBER 1978 — Construction continues on the crafts and ceramics rooms of Johnson Rec Center as steel I-beam girders and roof trusses are erected.



JANUARY 1979 — As the new year dawned, Sun City West was beginning to look the part of a real community. Nearly 1,000 persons already were calling it "home." Phase I population is expected to soar to 32,000.



DECEMBER 1978 — "Encore," the Sun City West Model Home Show, opens in mid-month. Homes feature an energy efficiency package that includes a solar water heater as standard, an industry first in Arizona. Some 50,000 persons will tour the homes during "Encore's" first month.





The February 15, 1978 Sun City West groundbreaking ceremonies saw a special quintet with shovels in their hands. Digging, from left, were Del E. Webb Development Co. President John W. Meeker, U.S. Senator Dennis DeConcini, J.G. Boswell Co. Vice President Hank Raymond, Webb Corporation Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Robert H. Johnson and the late Governor Wesley Bolin. Eight months later the Sun City West First Move-Ins Ceremony was conducted. Assisting in the ribbon cutting were, from left, DEVCO Executive Vice President Joe Aubin, resident Clarice Uhl, DEVCO President John Meeker, residents Mary and Luman Wick, DEVCO Vice President and Operations Manager Bob Cannon and DEVCO Senior Vice President and Engineering Manager Tom Ryan.

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They're "veterans" with their employers and long-timers on the jobs they perform, but now retirement is beckoning to ELMER AND ELIZABETH JOHNSON (or BUD AND BETTY) of Willoughby Hills, Ohio, and they're casting covetous glances toward that retirement home awaiting them in Arizona's Sun City West at 13242 Castle Rock Drive. Bud, due to retire next July 30, will have spent 32 years as an automobile mechanic with Oldsmobile, including 27 years with his present employer, David Oldsmobile, Inc. of Cleveland. Wife Betty has been a grocery cashier for A & P Tea Co. for 35 years and plans on taking early retirement in 1980. She is fond of craft work and expects to concentrate on that in Sun City West. Elmer anticipates some bowling and also is taking up golf. They would like to do some part-time work in winter months and intend to travel during the summer.

The mid-January letter of LEROY AND GLADYS DEVICK, P.O. Box 67, 307 South Jeffrey St., LeGrand, Iowa, 50142, was written by Gladys while they were experiencing a two-day blizzard that had life pretty much at a standstill. The Devicks were wishing they were back in Arizona at the Sun City West home they had visited during the Christmas holidays and had seen near completion at 12810 Keystone Drive. But they won't be taking key until spring as they must complete their work obligations in Iowa this summer, so they're looking forward to a fall arrival next winter in the Arizona sun. The Deviks noted that the Sun City West Pioneers "are having a very active time" and added: "Now we can look forward to the permanent life we have wanted out there all these years." They've already established some Sun City West friends and hope to soon make them more permanent. They'd like to hear from others and invite correspondence to them at their LeGrand, Ia., home. Once here they hope to make the most of golf and other recreational opportunities. And Gladys is patiently awaiting the nursing license she intends to bring with her.

Judging from the mid-January blizzard that descended on Chicago and other Illinois cities, bring things to a standstill, we're pretty sure LOUIS AND LORAINE CARNEHL of Park Ridge, whom we mentioned last month as having had key inspection in October on their new Sun City West home at 13306 Prospect Drive, will heave a sigh of relief when they get settled here. Mr. Carnehl plans to retire June 30 from his work as a salesman for Complete-Reading Electric, and they'll arrive in Sun City West in the fall.

And JOHN AND WILMA PASTILLA of Bearborn Heights, Mich., shruddered through those January storms, knowing their Sun City West home is ready at 19610 130th Avenue,though they won't be able to occupy it permanently until October of 1980 when both retire after 30 years with Ford Motor Co. But, in the meantime, they will be visiting the new home on vacations.

There are others, too, looking forward to arrival in the sunny weather of Sun City and Sun City West. KEN AND DORIS HUGO of Greeley, Co., scheduled to arrive in early March to occupy a Sun City home at 9723 Edward Drive, moved to Boulder, Co., from East Rochester, New York in 1946 and at Greeley in December they underwent the coldest December Colorado has had in 64 years. Says Ken: "I want to live the next 64 Decembers in the moderate climate of Arizona." He's retiring as maintenance superintendent of Weld County School District Six, previously having been maintenance superintendent of the Dow Chemical Co. at the

Rocky Flats Atomic Energy Plant near Boulder. During their Colorado residence they visited relatives and friends in Sun City several times, and decided Sun City was where they wanted to retire. Wife Doris, interested in interior decorating, has been employed by a Greeley decorating shop and hopes to continue that interest in Sun City. Ken's hobbies are back-packing, photography and swimming, and his avocation is music. He's been playing drums professionally over 40 years with experience in dance bands, on radio, in stage shows, television and with concert bands. And he hopes to continue appearing in Arizona. But he also says their neighbors on Edward Drive "can take heart when they hear that our first priority (after breakfast) is landscaping our yard."

MR. & MRS. EDWIN J. DERBACZ of 27300 Ann Arbor Trail, Bldg. 5, Apt.203, Dearborn Heights, Mich., who have a Sun City West home rising at 12922 Copperstone Drive, are beginning to wonder whom they'll have for future neighbors in Sun City West, so they're inviting correspondence directed to their Michigan address. And their advance interest in Arizona extended to obtaining a 1979 Arizona Highways calendar, which they read about in a Detroit newspaper.

Sun City West is going to get its First automotive traffic signal at its southerly entrance from Bell Road on R.H. Johnson Boulevard, which also becomes a through street from Bell Road through the community to Grand Avenue on the west, so stop signs can be erected at intersections with Johnson Boulevard in the community. County Supervisors announced the signal will be operating about April 1, after electric power is delivered to the site by Arizona Public Service.

The Tuesday Afternoon Contract Bridge Group of Sun City West, chaired by Elynor Stoffer, has named a committee to prepare bylaws. Members named were: Beatrice Block, Jim Conine, William Ellis and Mildred Holland.

And about 80 Sun City Westers have been square-dancing to the calls of Alex Nagy on Monday evenings at the Crestview. And bylaws for the square dancers are being drawn by the Herb Palmers, Bob Coles, Joe LaLondes and Joseph Droessers.

JOHN AND EDNA VALENTINE of Haileybury, Ontario, Canada, who decided upon Sun City for retirement after a couple of 1977 visits, have settled into their new residence at 9839 Silverbell Drive. A son, Michael, and his wife, Shannon, promised an early visit and another son, Ian, promised a March visit. John retired as office manager after 43 years with a diamond drilling firm in Northern Canada. Before arriving here they had been following in the Newsletter the arrival of new Sun Citians and recognized names of some of the people they had met in prior visits. And both Edna and John say their real interest is "meeting new friends and neighbors in your beautiful sunshine."

NORBERT E. GROVES of 19042 Signal Butte Circle, a recent arrival with his wife from Gig Harbor, Washington, visited our Newsletter office recently to deliver a copy of the Puyallup Valley Story, which he helped write as publicity chairman of the Puyallup Valley Chamber of Commerce. It tells in text and color photos the story of the Puyallup Valley, "Daffodil Center of the United States" where in spring, as if by magic, fields turn green, then to golden yellow, red and blue amid acres of waving daffodils, hyacinths, tulips and iris. Groves and other Sun Citians will miss those kinds of floral displays at former homes, but beginning this month will see in the deserts and mountains of Southern Arizona the kinds of colorful wild floral displays Mother Nature provides Arizonans and spring visitors.

More and more in April on what's going on in Sun City West!!

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain

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The Golf Course? IT'S READY!!!

April showers bring May flowers. Well, so far April has showered us with sunshine. Perfect spring days to challenge Hillcrest Golf Course (see page 4).

The Sun City West map we promised you is included in this edition of the Newsletter (inside) and the front page features you — future Sun City West residents.

"Get the golf course ready!" wrote GLENN HEATHMAN from Jackson, Mich. Glenn and Verna will be joining us in April in Arizona sunshine to enjoy the spring flowers and then about September they'll be moving permanently to occupy their Sun City West home at 13222 Desert Glen Drive. Glenn will have completed almost 34 years in designing, building and operating pipelines and pipeline facilities in the natural gas business. That was while wife Verna kept the home fires burning (with gas, naturally). He plans to fulfill some consulting contracts in the Southwest, then he and Verna will play some golf, take some art lessons, travel, and look forward to making new friendships. Welcome to the Heathmans.

Sun City Westers got community organization underway in early February with a standing-room-only assembly of fellow residents in Crestview Banquet Room at which they organized the Sun City West Property Owners and Residents Association (PORA). A slate of 18 board members proposed by the steering committee was endorsed, along with the nominations from the floor of two retired General Motors employees, Luman Wick and Hogan Dunlevy. Other directors include: Howard (Bud) Brown, former director of human resources for the city of Dallas before moving to Sun City West; Loise Copes, a former U.S. postmistress in Brooklandville, Md; Lawrence Cross, former administrative accountant for the film packaging division of Union Carbide; Mr. Dunlevy, for 30 years in managerial positions for the Delco Division of General Motors in Kettering, Ohio; Dr. Irma Halfter, former vice-president of DePaul University; Joe Kelso, retired from a variety of management positions in Northwestern Bell Telephone Co.; Arthur Knapp, who spent 44 years in the hog-buying business; Harold Marshall, retired from the U.S. Army where he worked in communications, recreation and safety; Claire Mitchell who has taught at Indiana State University and has worked as a speech pathologist; Harry Pappas, who has owned and operated a Northern California dry cleaning plant 40 years and served in state and national dry cleaners' organizations; Lester Perrill, who was chairman of the department of sociology and anthropology at Arizona State University; Walter Schneider, who has held cost accounting, purchasing, production, editing and managerial positions; Beatrice Segall, a retired real estate appraiser who served on the New York State Board of Equalization and Assessment; Edward Steele, retired from Humboldt State University where he served as chairman of the speech and art departments; William Steward, a retired senior valuation engineer for the Internal Revenue Service; Glen Stoffer, for 41 years with Carrier Air Conditioning Co. in engineering and sales capacities; Gloria Sullivan, for 24 years with Bank of America as an escrow officer; Mr. Wick, a retired manager of General Motors' Frigidaire Division; Gene Wilson retired U.S. Air Force colonel later responsible for budgeting and cost accounting for all NASA space launches at Cape Canaveral; and Walter Wittich, retired chairman of the education communications and technology department of the University of Hawaii. Gene Wilson subsequently was elected president, William Stewart first vice-president and Mrs. Halfter second vice-president.

It was a little over a year ago when the DARRAHS of San Diego, (ROBERT and BETTY) came to Sun City to occupy a vacation apartment and look over plans for Sun City West. And they were halfway out of town when they decided if they were to visit again they'd better backtrack and see what arrangements they could make. Back they went to their sales counselor, Gordon Whitwell, and subsequently then committed themselves to a new Sun City West home at 13317 Copperstone Drive. They hope the bingo games are still going at the Webb Corporation's Mint Hotel in Las Vegas, where they've enjoyed them in the past. They understand the Mint will be a shorter distance from Sun City West than it has been from San Diego. Welcome, Darrahs.

We've just heard from JOSEPH and LEE DORNIAK of Brooklyn, New York. They're planning an April arrival to occupy their Sun City West home at 13506 Spanish Garden Drive. Joe plans on sharpening his dancing and bowling talents once he arrives in Arizona. Wife Lee, who says she's better known as "Lee of Italy" to her colleagues in the world of fashion design, plans on relaxing in the Arizona sunshine, and cooking and baking marvelous Italian delicacies. And she adds: "Lookout, waistlines!" She says she and Joseph are currently members of the La Torre Social Club of which Joseph is currently Governor of Affairs.

All for now — our next Newsletter edition features the recent Sun City Fitness Festival.

More letters, please. Enjoy a happy Spring!

Sincerely,

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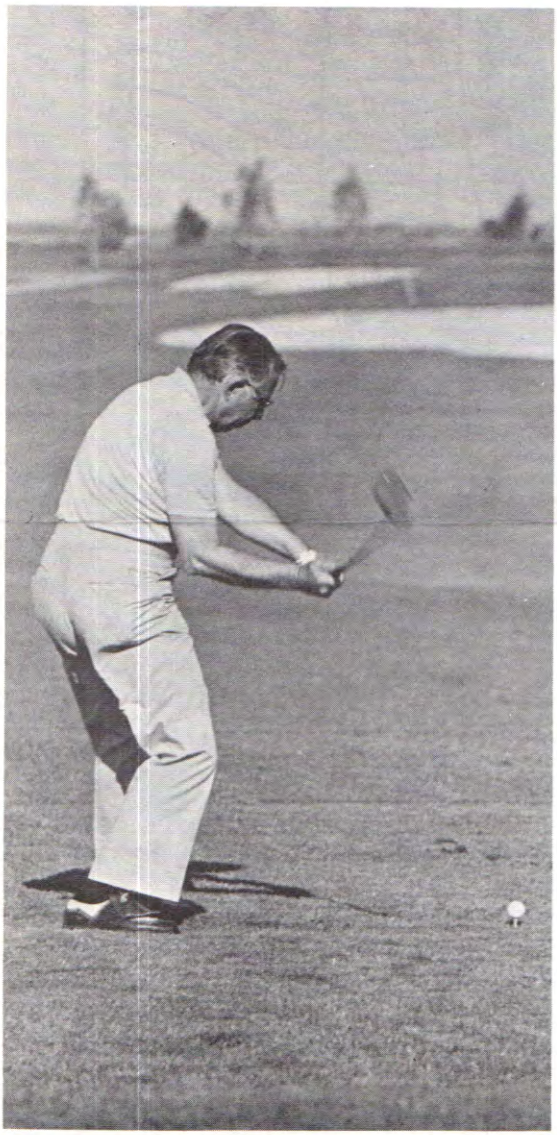
SUN CITY WEST PHASE I

This street map of Sun City West Phase I and the accompanying aerial photograph indicates just how fast the new community is growing. The map also will help you locate the area in which Sun City West newcomers — future friends and neighbors — (like those mentioned in the Newsletter) will be living, so save it for future reference.

All development plans, schematic or plot maps and model representations are tentative and subject to final governmental approval. Del E. Webb Development Co. shall have the right, without notice, to make changes to any or all of the plans, maps or representations.







Sun City West's beautiful Hillcrest Golf Course *officially opened for play February 17. Since then, Sun City Westers, Sun Citians, vacation special visitors and the general public have been enjoying the new layout, which has already been called one of the three most challenging courses in Arizona. Hillcrest measures 6,960 yards from the championship tees, 6,411 from the regular tees and 5,909 from the women's tees. It plays to par 72 for men and 75 for women. Dominating the course landscape is a 20-acre lake that comes into play on eight holes. Two smaller 3-acre lakes and a pair of meandering creeks bring water into play on six more holes. Sand traps — 78 of them — dot the course and are positioned to play a factor whether a golfer is a six or a 26-handicapper. All traps feature white marble sand. Among the most challenging holes is the 546-yard par-5 13th. The hole doglegs left around the large lake, then rises to a green at the course's highest point. The hole is made even more demanding by seven traps around the green. Enhancing Hillcrest's oasis image are more than 1,000 trees, including pine, olive, willow, palm, eucalyptus, carob, sour orange, evergreen ash and evergreen elm. The course has a putting green, chipping green and driving range. Golf carts are available, as are pull carts. Hillcrest is the first of six golf courses planned for Sun City West's first phase.*



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FIRST ANNUAL FITNESS FESTIVAL ATTRACTS 900

This edition of the Newsletter features the recently concluded 17-week First Annual Sun City Fitness Festival. We hope you find the story and pictures interesting, inspiring — and motivating. Enough so that you and a good many other present and future Sun City Westers will join in the fitness fun this fall when we sponsor a second annual Festival.

This edition also features you — Sun City West's future residents — so read on.

They came out of the Connecticut "deep freeze" for a week recently in Sun City West and the spring-like weather then enveloping the Valley of the Sun. Then they had to return, and admitted they hated the idea. But now JANICE and CHARLES JOHNSON of Six Helena Drive, Cromwell, Connecticut, are looking forward to mid-1979 when they expect to move into their Sun City West residence at 12511 Skyview Drive. And when inclement Connecticut weather keeps them from getting outside, they're writing to future neighbors "to get somewhat acquainted before we move in." They're trying to reach Sun City Westers who will be occupying Unit 10 lots 377-385, also 358-360. When the Johnson's came out for a "short week" they brought with them a daughter to visit Arizona State University at Tempe and Northern Arizona University at Flagstaff and see which she preferred to attend, having been accepted by both. You can be looking for the Johnsons in Sun City West about mid-July.

HUGO J. and BEATRICE KLUNGLER, JR. of Algonac, Mich. should now be getting settled into their Sun City West home at 17810 135th Drive. But they needed FOUR VISITS to a son stationed at Williams AFB near Chandler before they decided when it came to retirement they'd better settle across the valley and become Westers! A retiree from Metropolitan Life Insurance, Klungler likes to fish, bowl, play cards, dabble in the crafts and shoot golf. Bea, retired from a community college, likes the same hobbies and sports as Hugo, and also is fond of knitting and is an avid quilt fan. Both are looking forward to the Arizona sunshine and forgetting about Michigan's winter cold.

ED and IRENE CANNON of Glen Echo, Maryland, are beginning to get rather anxious as the time draws nearer for their arrival in Arizona to claim their new home at 18023 134th Avenue in Sun City West. And friends here have whet their appetites by keeping them appraised of construction progress. Now they're pinning to get here in time to enjoy some of the desert's spring flower show. And in Glen Echo, after 34 inches of snow, they had begun to wonder if they were going to see the streets again. Ed is an engineer/mathematician, and former chief of the mathematics division of the National Bureau of Standards. His hobbies are ham radio and riding his motorcycle, restoring old player pianos, studying Spanish and Italian, and tinkering.

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FITNESS FINDS A HOME IN

When it comes to fads, the retirement community of Sun City has always been slow to catch on. Mini-skirts passed it by with hardly a backwards glance. Frisbees flew over without landing.

But the new national pastime — fitness — seems to have found a home here. For the past 17 weeks Sun City has awakened to the sound of more than 900 of its resident-retirees jogging past its windows, cycling down its streets and stretching in unison in its grassy Sun Bowl amphitheater. It's all been part of the Sun City Fitness Festival, a four-month program that began in October with encouragement by ex-Olympian, ex-movie star Buster Crabbe and concluded with commendations by "Aerobics" author Dr. Kenneth H. Cooper, considered America's leading advocate of physical fitness.

"We can delay the effect of aging," Cooper told a Festival "commencement" class. "The human body is capable of thriving for well over a century. It's from choosing a life of inactivity and obesity that we cut that lifespan short."

"My chronological age is running ahead of all those more important ones. Physically, mentally and socially I'm as youthful as ever. There's two words for remaining prim and in your prime — positive attitude."

— Rose Schwartz, 78-year-old leader of Festival exercise seminars

Longer life is admittedly one of the attractions of the fitness craze, but in Sun City, fitness's greatest draw has



"Stretch" was the key word as participants in the Sun City Fitness Festival engaged in flexibility exercises, one of the requirements of Festival entrants. Strength exercises and aerobic (cardiovascular) exercises also were part of the 17-week Festival program.

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been good health and the happiness that accompanies it.

To bear this out one needed only visit the Sun Bowl, where a 78-year-old former professional dance instructor drilled Sun Citians through a wide range of exercises once a week. After a solid hour of pulling, pushing and stretching, the predominant sentiment was "Geez, I feel great. I haven't felt this good in 40 years." The ex-dancer, Rose Schwartz, said her age is deceiving: "My chronological age is running ahead of all those more important ones. Physically, mentally and socially I'm as youthful as ever. There's two words for remaining prim and in your prime — positive attitude."

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— Ray Simmons, 63-year-old Festival participant

Besides requiring a variety of exercises designed to improve flexibility, strength and aerobic capacity (heart and lung efficiency), the Festival demanded that participants engage in at least three supplemental activities from a list of about a dozen. The activities ranged from square dancing to racquetball to tennis to golf WITHOUT a cart. Participation in the supplemental activities centered around reaching a specific goal by the end of the 17-week program. Handball players, for example, were expected to be able to play a full hour of competitive singles by the end of the program. To encourage persons to try different activities, goals for beginners were set lower than those for long-time players.

A four-day speakers program preceded the Festival and featured such names as Dr. Edward Diethrich, the world-famous heart surgeon. Health screenings by the Phoenix-area Health Evaluation and Longevity Planning Foundation (HELP) were offered in the weeks before the Festival began.

The Festival's success, though probably best expressed in the happy faces at the Sun Bowl exercise sessions, also can be documented in the case of 63-year-old Ray Simmons.

A retired corporation executive from Spokane, Wash., Simmons went through the HELP screening and was deemed a disaster. Weight 225, blood pressure 180/105, high blood cholesterol, irregular heart beat, borderline diabetic. "And the doctors said I was getting worse," Simmons said.



Rose Schwartz, a 78-year-old former professional dance instructor, answers questions from Fitness Festival participants after a weekly exercise seminar at the Sun Bowl. She led the weekly sessions.

With doctors' supervision, Simmons undertook a routine designed to ease him back toward good health through a regular program of jogging, bicycling, swimming and good eating. "In the beginning it hurt like hell to run 100 yards," he said. "The fat bounced around and it hurt. If I could have seen myself I probably would have quit."

Luckily, Simmons didn't see a mirror for months. He now weighs 180, his blood pressure is 125/68, his cholesterol and glucose levels are normal and his heart never skips a beat. He's even become a regular competitor in local 10,000-meter runs. "And it's no miracle," he claimed. "I'm convinced that this is something anyone can do."

"The human body is capable of thriving for well over a century. It's from choosing a life of inactivity and obesity that we cut that lifespan short . . . but the body is remarkable in its ability to recover. So, even if we have had bad habits for many years, it's never too late to change."

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FIRST ANNUAL SUN CITY FITNESS FESTIVAL

October 1978-March 1979

"The greatest single advancement in the health of the American people will result from what the individual is willing to do for himself, by proper exercise and proper diet."

— John Knowles, President of Rockefeller Foundation of Research



January's Bike For Health Ride attracted hundreds of pedal-pushin' Sun Citians. Individuals completed either a six or 10-mile course.



"Utilizing an exercise program of walking, jogging, swimming, calisthenics and stretching, a group of men and women age 52 to 88 improved heart function and breathing capacity, lowered blood pressure, lost fat, gained muscle strength and improved their ability to relax. Some cases suggested a reduction of physiological age by as



Members of the Sun City Jogging Club pace their way through a morning run. The popularity of the club — more than 150 members to date — helped spawn the idea for the Fitness Festival.



The weekly exercise seminars at the grass-terraced Sun Bowl were among the Festival's most popular events. Warm winter days found hundreds of participants doing calisthenics designed to improve strength, flexibility and aerobic (heart and lung) efficiency.

"Too many senior adults believe their need for exercise diminishes and eventually disappears as they grow older. They underrate their own abilities and capacities, overrate the benefits of light, sporadic exercise and vastly



"Aerobics", author Dr. Kenneth Cooper

Fitness Festival committee member Helen Koshmider keeps trim with light weights in the Bell Recreation Center exercise room. Mrs. Koshmider has the figure of a woman half her age.

much as 20 to 30 years."

— Dr. Herbert A. deVries, University of Southern California's Andrus Gerontology Center



Two Festival participants take time out from tennis to turn in their completed log books. The Festival required participants to become active in one or more sports — tennis being one option.

exaggerate the risks involved in vigorous exercise after middle age."

— President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports

spoke at the Festival "commencement" ceremony in March. Cooper, one of the nation's leading advocates of physical fitness, urged graduates to continue their daily exercise pattern.



Monogrammed Fitness Festival T-shirts and certificates were issued to participants who satisfactorily completed the requirements of the 17-week event. A questionnaire indicated that participants were unanimous in feeling that the Festival was beneficial and should be held annually.



Walking — one of the most healthful activities for senior adults — was spotlighted in December as Festival participants got together for a Two Mile Fun Walk through Sun City.



When December's Two Mile Fun Walk was completed, Festival participants cooled down, then enjoyed refreshments. The healthy snack included granola cookies and apple juice.



Flexibility was stressed throughout the Fitness Festival and simple stretching was a frequent activity during the weekly exercise seminars at the Sun Bowl. Stretching is especially important before proceeding to more strenuous exercise.

"Age is a matter of mind. If you don't mind, it doesn't matter."

— Mark Twain



Members of the Fitness Festival Committee pause to show off their monogrammed T-shirts. The committee is drawing up plans for a 1979-80 Fitness Festival.



The Festival drew the attention of Phoenix-area fitness enthusiasts and local television stations covered the event. Question: What are the benefits of exercise? Answer: You feel better, look better and live longer.



A pool-full of Festival entrants participated in the February Swimming Demonstration and Exercise session at Sundial pool. Aquatics Instructor and Festival committee member Lee Starr holds several state senior swimming records. He has taught more than 1,500 Sun City residents to swim.

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Irene says he does some carpentry and is handy to have around the house. Irene is interested in civic affairs and planning, served on the town council a number of years and as postmistress. She also has done some drawing and cartooning for the town newspaper. She's an art enthusiast; likes to remodel houses, but finds housework and cooking dull. The Cannons are anxious to be good neighbors and helpful in any way they can. (Which sounds plenty good if you're looking for neighbors.)

Though its been only a matter of six months since first residents — one couple from California and another couple from Kansas — moved into their spanking new Sun City West homes, the new and growing city has become a center of buzzing activities involving its growing population. Sun City West newcomers have been busy organizing, participating in and operating social, entertainment, athletic, travel and even religious activities.

And when they're not forming new clubs and groups for activities right in Sun City West, they've been on bus trips to visit and shop in interesting Scottsdale; to tour metropolitan Phoenix; to attend Phoenix Suns basketball games; to tour Luke Air Force Base, largest fighter base in the free world; and gamble in Laughlin, Nevada; look over the desert and mountain areas of Arizona; to view the lakes and dams of the scenic Apache Trail; or to venture southwest to Tucson and Nogales and take a look at the Mexico border. There are a galaxy of Sun City West clubs and organizations with carefully-arranged meetings, so there is something going on every day. These include several bridge clubs, varied dancing clubs, canasta and pinochle, an art club and a Saturday Night Dance Club. One of the newest groups is the Sun City West Bicycle Club, which meets at 9 AM, Monday through Friday. It brings together as many as 50 cyclists who after breakfast set out on a one-hour ride through the community. A Luau and Hawaiian dinner were held recently at Sun City West's Crestview restaurant. Dancers highlighted the evening, along with the tasty Hawaiian dinner.

All meetings and club events now are held in the new Social Hall of the Johnson Recreation Center. Tours now depart from the Social Hall and Catholic and Protestant church services are held there until permanent places of worship are obtained.

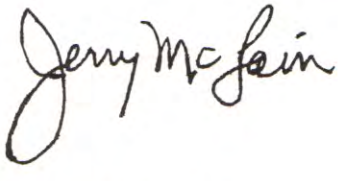
PORA, the Sun City West Property Owners and Residents Association, which has the largest membership of any Sun City West group, meets in the Social Hall, and the new Sun City West Sheriff's Posse is being organized there. The Social Hall can comfortably seat up to 700 for a meeting, and can be partitioned so that several clubs, groups and organizations can be accommodated simultaneously for meetings or social activities.

The Milwaukee Brewers of the American League attracted a large number of Sun City Westers to their exhibition games at Sun City Stadium. The Brewers lost a 3-2 heartbreaker to the Chicago Cubs in their final appearance in Arizona, then flew directly to New York for the season opener against the World Champion New York Yankees. And then 52,719 fans sat stunned in Yankee Stadium as the Brewers upset the Yankees 5-1 in the opener.

DON and MAYBELLE NELSON of Rosemead, California should be getting settled now in their Sun City West home at 13243 Castle Rock Drive after making plans since last November for the move. Don is an accountant as well as a tax counselor and Maybelle has for years been an Amway distributor. Don also served as controller for several large political committees in Southern California.

Now, folks, the spring weather in Sun City West, Phoenix and Southern Arizona couldn't be more ideal than right now — which means it's a great time for a visit. If you've seen Sun City, c'mon now and see Sun City West, a brand new city with a wealth of surprises! And if you can't come for a visit, watch for our June Newsletter and more about what's going on in Sun City West. And if you already are a future resident just waiting to occupy a new home, please let us hear from you concerning your plans.

Sincerely,



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Time for a swim

Johnson Recreation Center's olympic-size swimming pool opened earlier this month. Many more areas of the $6.4 million center, including the handball and racquetball courts and the silvercraft, lapidary and arts and crafts rooms, also are scheduled for June openings. Johnson will be the largest private facility for recreational and creative activities in Arizona.

Greetings from the sunny Southwest. It's been a beautiful spring in Sun City West and throughout the state of Arizona. I hope your spring was equally pleasant, wherever you are.

Gilbert Mahan (call him Gil) and wife, Phyllis (Phyl) of North Hampton, New Hampshire, are planning to retire in 1980 and we simply haven't heard lately of anyone who has "leisure living" better planned. They've lived in Hampton 15 years, and during winters there they've become very active skiers. So when they retire, Gil from 36 years with New England Telephone Co. and Phyl from her own travel agency business, they'll be headed for Arizona and a Sun City West home at 17407 124th Drive. But they aren't giving up winter skiing. They've already found the Sun Bowl at Flagstaff to their liking. And they haven't yet tried the fine Eastern Arizona ski areas within a few hours drive in the White Mountains. And while win-

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tering in Sun City West, Gil writes, they intend to play plenty of golf (wait'll he sees the beautiful Hillcrest course). Announcing that he and Phyl "plan to be two very active Sun City West residents," Gil writes "we feel living in such an environment will help us to pursue activities not available to us living in any other area."

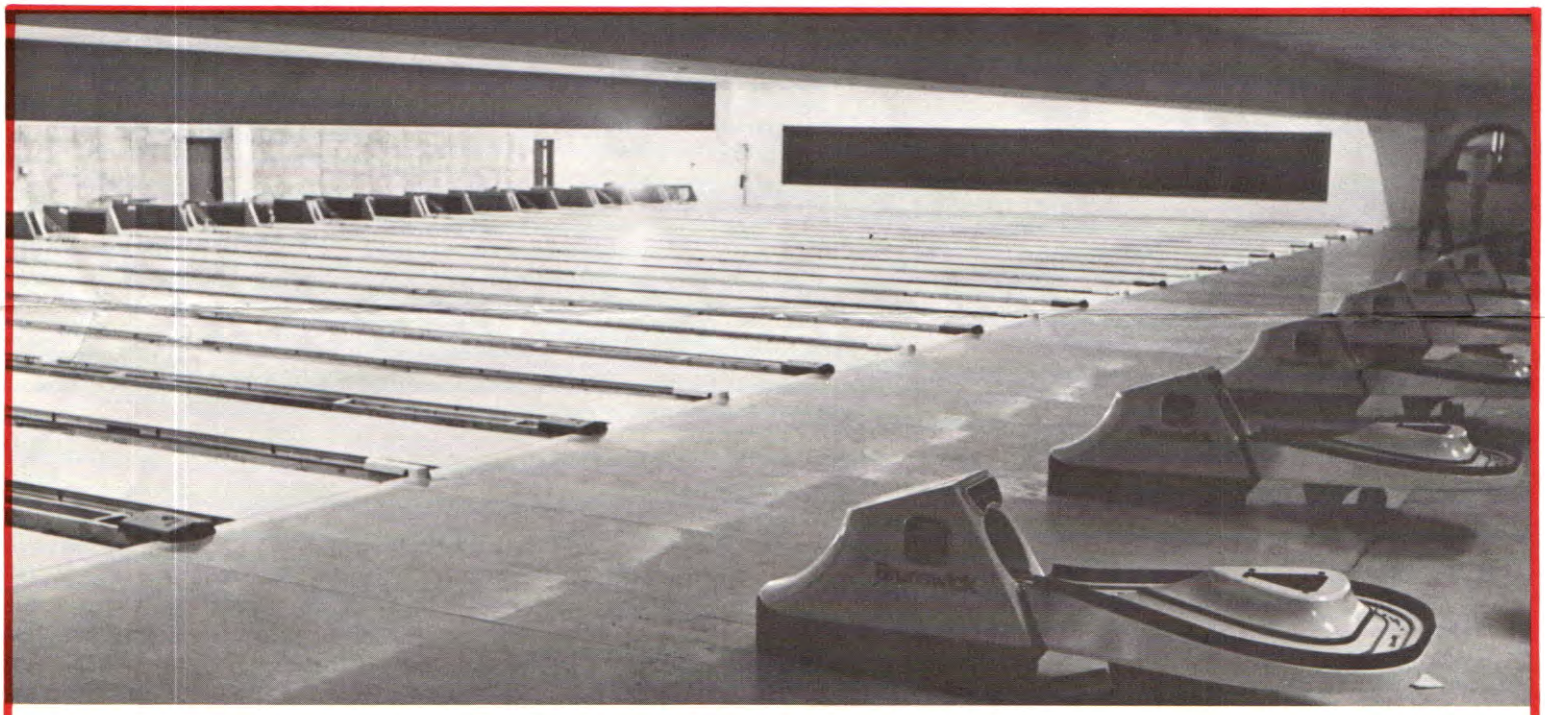
The Michigan Visconti's (Charles and Lena), once had an idea they'd be settling for retirement in Toltec, Arizona, but today you'll find them ensconced in Sun City West, watching progress toward completion of their new home on Buntline Drive and preparing to move in about July. The Visconti's lived most of their lives in Detroit, though they did spend 10 years in Sterling, Michigan. Charles says Lena still is a home executive and fond of golf, bowling, dancing and weaving. He is partial to golf, bowling, dancing, woodworking and steelwork. Visconti is a Henry Ford Trade School graduate; taught metallurgy and welding and was retired after 29 years at Ford Motor's Sterling plant. Ten years ago, after seeing Toltec, Arizona, on a Southwestern trip, the Visconti's thought that would be a nice, quiet place to retire, but they changed their minds later after seeing Sun City West.

For Hazel S. DeFrenne of Clayton, Missouri, it's "a dream come true." That's what she'll tell you about her new Sun City West home at 13416 Copperstone Drive, in which she quite likely now is comfortably settled since she was anticipating occupancy about the last week in May. She retired recently after 23 years of service in the St. Louis area with Cupples Products, a subsidiary of H. H. Robertson Co. of Pittsburgh, a builder of curtain walls. While originally from the Midwest, Hazel spent the war years in California with North American Aviation, then returned to the St. Louis area. She has visited in Arizona over many years and has two sisters and brothers-in-law residing in Sun City. She's fond of golf, dancing and bridge, has bowled some, and is anxious to meet her new neighbors and make new friends. Welcome, Hazel, to the many activities now involving Sun City Westers!

July can't come any too soon to suit Joe and Jane Calabrase of San Diego. That's the month they're scheduled to move into their new retirement home at 18226 Alyssum Drive in Sun City West. Jane wrote to say "We can't wait" because they already have friends in Sun City — Joe's sister and brother-in-law, whom she identifies as "the Scruggs of Sun City" (and there are quite a few Scruggs in Sun City). Mr. Calabrase is semi-retired after 38 years as a teamster in Chicago and San Diego. Wife Jane, a native of San Diego, is presently a San Diego county employee.

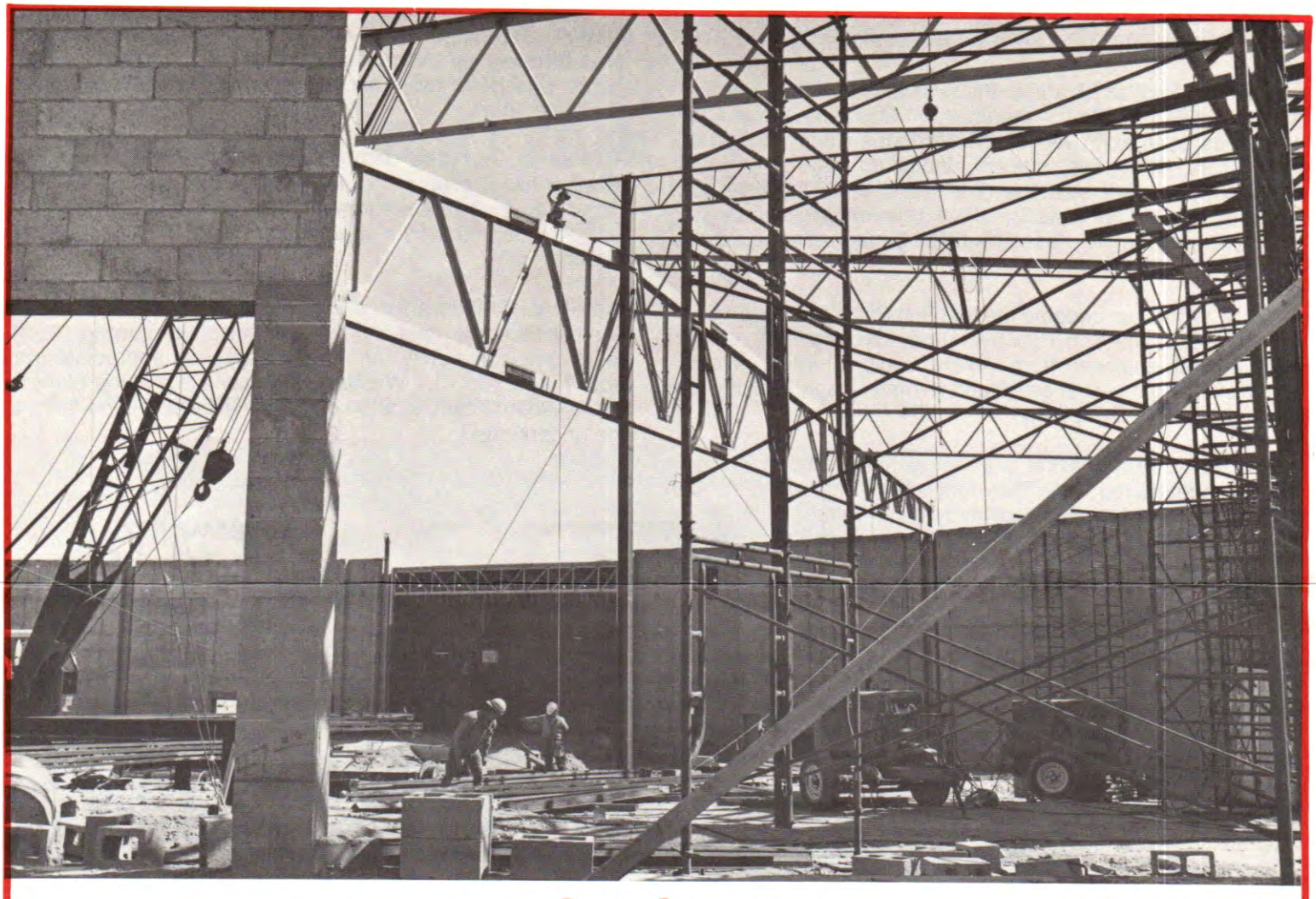
Walt and Grace Lehman of Wausau, Wisconsin, are planning to arrive in Sun City West in September to occupy their new home at 13331 Opal Drive. Grace wrote to say she hopes some present or future neighbors in that area have a good, handy wheelbarrow because Walt has said he'd like to join up with such a neighbor and jointly landscape both their yards. Mr. Lehman was manager of manufacturing for a Wausau company many years and was active in school and service club activities. He also has worked in the realty business. Bowling and golf are his favorite sports. Grace likes to bowl, dance, bicycle, and hopes to paint and play the organ.

We had a recent letter from Irene E. Cannon of Glen Echo, Maryland, who, with her husband, Ed, are future Sun City West residents. Irene had some interesting comments about residents of our resort-retirement communities. "I am concerned when I read references to Sun City as an affluent community," she wrote. "Other qualities are much more worthy of distinction. Sun City today is peopled by a new kind of pioneer. In the early settling of the West it was the young and the strong who



10-pins

The 24-lane bowling pavilion at Johnson Recreation Center is scheduled to open later this summer. The lanes will be fully automated and include the new automatic scoring machines. A team room, lockers and snack bar will adjoin the bowling area.



Sundome

Construction continues on the Sundome, Sun City West's 6,800-seat performing arts center. The multi-purpose Sundome will accommodate virtually every type of musical and theatrical event. Cushioned, ramped continental seating will provide optimum visibility and ease of access. A sophisticated sound system will give every seat in the house the same audio presence as front row center. It is scheduled for completion in second quarter 1980.

were out to make a new and a better life." She says that in past years oldsters went to warmer climes, usually Florida, and just had enough strength to move from bench to bench. Irene points out that Sun City is attracting the "young" old — who possess abundant vigor and vitality. "They are going there (to Sun City-Sun City West) to have more time outdoors to pursue activities, and keep fit. Like the early pioneers they are a special breed, especially to elect to change their lives in their later years. This is more worthy of emphasis, a better image of the community." Right on Irene Cannon. We need more such thoughtful messages.

The O. L. Rogers (Orlon and Edith), who are going to retire to a Sun City West home at 18223 129th Drive, came out to the Valley of the Sun in their 31-foot house trailer and settled near Glendale to await completion of the new home. But along came fall and winter rains which delayed all Sun City West construction. So the Rogers — who like trailering — rolled northward to the Air Force Academy in Colorado to visit their daughter and new grandson. They'll be back in Arizona in September for occupancy in October in that Sun City West home. Both Orlon and Edith were Air Force officers in World War II, Orlon a bomber pilot and Edith an operating room supervisor. He has been retired two years from the Aberdeen Proving Grounds as a mechanical engineering supervisor. The Rogers say they're looking forward in Sun City West to art, antiques, bridge, bicycling, reading and walking for exercise. They'd also welcome some letters from future Sun City West residents in their area of 129th Drive. Their summer home address is RD No. 1 Box 502, Rehoboth Beach, Del., 19971 Port Del Mar, Va. Trailer No. 29202.

SUN CITY WEST ON THE MOVE

— Construction of Sun City West Shopping Center No. 1 is well along on the southeast corner of R. H. Johnson Boulevard and Camino del Sol. The 126,000-square foot facility will include a Safeway supermarket, a Walgreens drug store, a coffee shop, a furniture/decorator store and 17 other retail shops. Cost of the center is $2.7 million.

— The Articles of Incorporation of the Property Owners and Residents Association of Sun City West (PORA) have been approved by the Arizona Corporation Commission. Future Westers who would like information about the organization may write to P.O. Box 1013, Sun City, AZ, 85372.

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— The construction of a sheriff's substation at the corner of Dysart and Bell Roads (on the southern boundary of Sun City West) has been approved by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors. Thirty-five officers, including detectives and patrol deputies, will staff the new station and augment the action of the Sun City West Sheriff's Posse, which was recently organized. Among the Posse's initial 22 members are seven women.

— Leslie Worth has become the first Sun City West resident to gain a seat in the Sun City Symphony Orchestra. A retired metallurgical engineer from Aiken, South Carolina, Worth began studying music at age 6 and formerly played violin with the Augusta, Ga., Symphony.

— Fourteen Sun City West clubs already have been formed and are meeting regularly. They range from the pinochle club to the bicycle club to the beginning square dance club. New clubs include the Hillcrest Dance Club, which conducts regular Saturday night dances in Johnson Rec Center Social Hall, and the Art Club, which is already planning classes, workshops and shows.

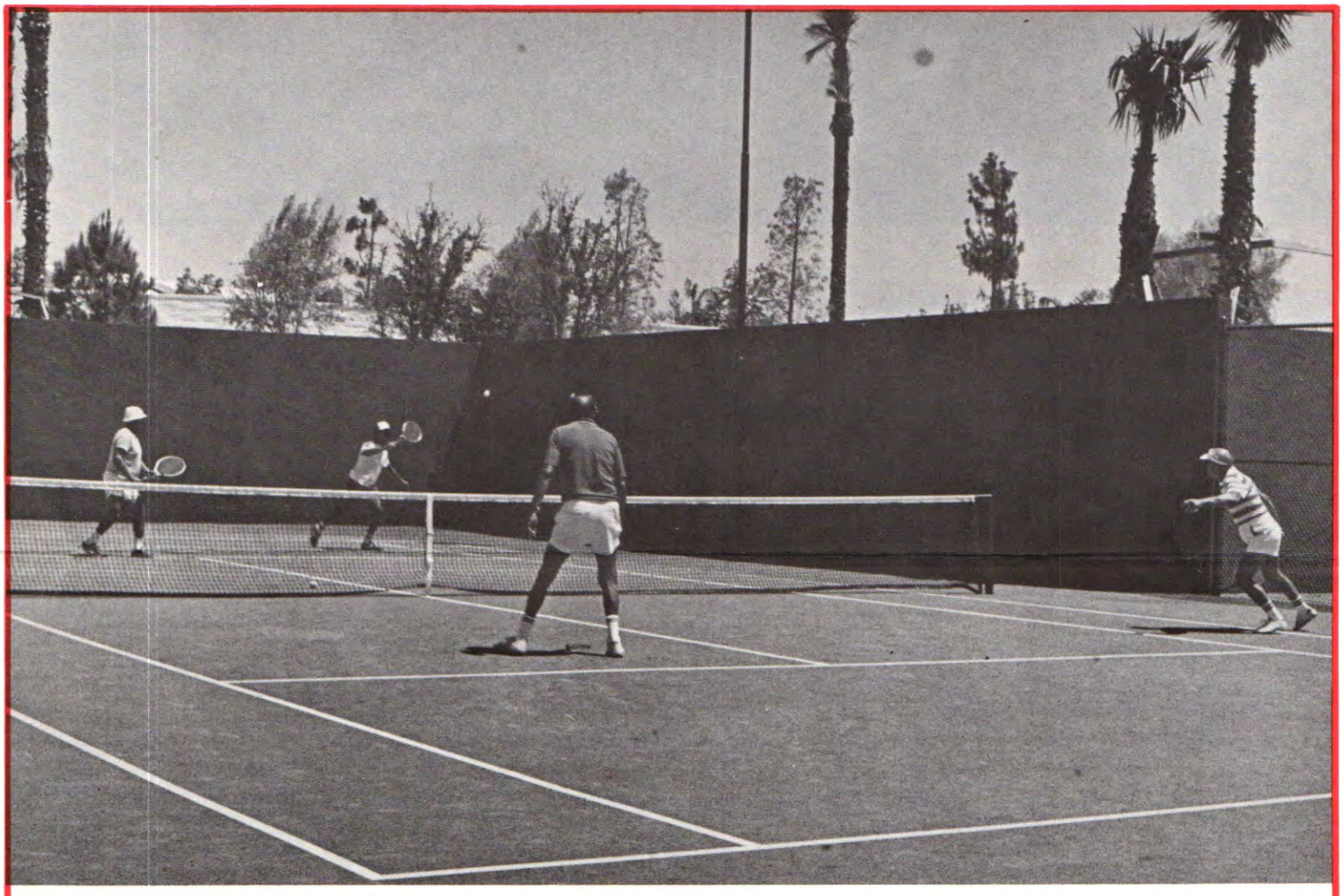
— Wally Henninger of neighboring Sun City celebrated his 81st birthday by swimming 81 laps of the Lakeview Rec Center pool. He's swam his age in laps on his birthday for the past nine years.

— Touring the state of Arizona during the glorious spring weather has proven a popular pastime for Sun City Westers. Organized trips to Lake Powell and the Grand Canyon were well attended, as was a special jaunt along the mountainous Apache Trail.

Well, faithful readers, that's the June story from Sun City West. There'll be more next month from this fast-growing resort-retirement community. And don't forget, we appreciate mail from future Sun City Westers who now are making plans to come West. C'mon, scratch out a few lines and send them to the uridersigned.

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain



Deuce

Four Sun City West residents play a competitive game of doubles at the Johnson Rec Center tennis courts. The courts have been open for several months and June marks the opening of the center's eight platform tennis courts.

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Neighbors

Nowhere quite like the mailbox to meet for a neighborly chat. Sun City West residents Lew Johnson, 13218 Mesa Verde Drive, and John Mancuso, 13222 Mesa Verde Drive, are both formerly from New Jersey. Both chose beautiful, easy-care landscaping for their homes. Johnson selected a desert scene, while Mancuso opted for a combination of colored rock and pine trees. More Sun City West homes are featured on Page 2 of the Newsletter.

I hope all of you had an enjoyable Independence Day, wherever you were. Things couldn't have been better here as residents of Sun City West were joined by Sun Citians in attending the annual Fireworks Show at Sun City Stadium. Themed "Arizona and the Old West," the show featured such notable legends as Doc Holliday and the Lost Dutchman Gold Mine. Numerous ground displays and aerial barrages highlighted the scripted show, which is the finest in the Phoenix area.

Our requests for letters from future Sun City West residents concerning their plans for "the big move" brought a nice letter from Ralph and Lena Jones of Arlington, Virginia, who say they've been reading of Virginia residents who are, or soon will be, Sun City West bound. Some are even from the Jones' former hometown of Middletown, Ohio. Ralph says he and Lena have resided in Arlington 35 years, although he was originally from Middletown and she hailed from Baltimore. Now they're going to reside in Sun City West (beginning in early August) at 18219 130th Avenue. Ralph retired from the Federal Highway Administration, and Lena from Western Electric. She's interested in arts and crafts, sewing and ceramics, and Ralph leans toward swimming and golf, as well as "spectatoring" all kinds of sports. They're both coming to the right place! Both enjoy travel. Ralph says they hope to see all the country north of Arizona during summer months next year, as they already have toured most other parts of the United States. They're also active in Christian work and already have participated in the building of 21 churches, starting several from scratch.

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The Sun City West duplex of the M. G. (Tad) Randgaards is scheduled for completion the latter part of July, and the Rangaards are ready to move in. They haven't far to travel, either. According to a letter just received, they're residing in Scottsdale, about 20 miles to the east, where Tad is in the real estate business. He reports he's been reading in the Newsletter about people "from all over the great U.S.A." moving to Sun City West. Tad paid a nice compliment to his Sun City West sales counselor, Ron Miller, saying Ron "handled everything in a very professional manner." The Randgaards will reside at 12807 Copperstone Drive. And nice as Scottsdale is, Tad has no objection to departing, as long as he's heading for Sun City West.

And to other Sun City West residents whose arrival is upcoming, please drop us a brief letter concerning your plans.

And to other Westers, those due soon and those already busily getting settled and joining in Sun City West activities, here's some information on a not-far-distant community you might like to visit on a Sunday afternoon drive. It's Pioneer, an authentic reconstruction of a 19th century Arizona village located about 25 miles north of Phoenix on Interstate 17. Amid 26 completed building exhibits are original structures of a school, ranch house, barn and other frontier-type buildings. Darrel Duppa drove a stagecoach between Phoenix and Wickenburg in 1871 and a replica of the stagecoach station stands at Pioneer today. Other interesting structures include an 1891 wagon makers shop, 1858 Southern Arizona home, 1880 carpenter's shop, 1880 miner's camp from Clifton, an 1890 photo gallery, 1880 tin shop, an 1884 pioneer bank, and an 1870 blacksmith shop. Those who work at Pioneer do so in native 1800s dress, using the tools and methods of pioneer times. A non-profit education institution, Pioneer is the only living museum west of the Rocky Mountains. It is open daily and draws most attendance on week-ends.

SUN CITY WEST ON THE MOVE

—Planned opening dates for additional Sun City West facilities in the R. H. Johnson Recreation Center were announced at mid-June meeting of more than 600 members of PORA, the busy Sun City West organization whose full name is Property Owners and Residents Association. Joe Aubin, Webb Development Co. Executive Vice-President, said the Johnson Center billiard room, shuffleboard and therapy pool, arts and crafts, table tennis, game room and woodworking room, and handball courts would open in late June. Other opening dates include: lecture hall, mid July, bowling, early August, lapidary and silvercraft, mini-golf, running track and lawn bowling, mid August; and the library will be completed in October. The first shopping center in Sun City West is scheduled to be completed in early 1980.

—The Sun City West Art Club conducts two sessions a week. A drawing class will meet from 9AM-4PM Tuesdays and an oil art class will meet from 9AM-4PM Thursdays in the Social Hall of Johnson Recreation Center. Mrs. Jordan Clay, an instructor at Sun City's Bell Art Club, now is instructing beginning artists at Sun City West Club meetings, and Kathryn Courson is teaching a drawing and sketching class.



Desert scene

Various types of cactus, an occasional palm tree and designs of colored rock accent these two Sun City West homes. A golf cart, one of the community's favorite forms of transportation, can be seen in the carport.





Pioneer

No, this is not a Sun City West home. It's the original 1890 John Marion Sears mansion, one of the main attractions at Pioneer, Arizona. An authentic reconstruction of a 19th century Arizona town, Pioneer features an 1870 blacksmith shop among its 26 exhibits. The town is located about 30 minutes from Sun City West along Interstate 17.

—One of the busiest spots in the $6.4 million Johnson Recreation Center is the Olympic-size swimming pool, which opened last month.

—There's no grass growing under the feet of Sun City West tennis players. They organized the Sun City West Racquet Association, and now they're swinging on 16 courts in a tennis center which would be hard to match at any resort hotel or tennis center in the Southwest. The club meets the first Friday of each month at 10AM in the Johnson Recreation Center Social Hall. With 36 charter members, the club has started Jack Glaser teaching tennis beginners.

—Arrangements have been made for the "Rhythm Makers" to provide music for the Hillcrest Dance Club which swings into action from 8-11PM each Saturday night in the Social Hall of Sun City West's Johnson Recreation Center. Pat Cutrona emcees the ballroom dancing. Greeting guests are Virginia and Jim Cannon and Muriel and Del Duffy. Virginia Jones and Dorine Fregeau handle refreshments. Sun City West residents and guests may attend by showing recreation or guest cards. Men are asked to wear shirts and ties for the summer. It also has been announced that Bill Crest will continue instruction in Latin and ballroom dancing from 2-4PM each Saturday in the Social Hall.

—New Sun City West Recreation Center cards now are being issued to West residents. All are dated one year from the official opening date of the community's Johnson Recreation Center. Photographs are made of each resident, for each card must carry a photo of the card holder, and residents must have recreation cards in their possession when participating in Recreation Center-sponsored activities.

—Sun City West now has its own Lions Club, meeting every Monday at 12 noon at the Crestview Restaurant. Peter Strupp is its 1979-80 President.

—Sun City West Square dancers are busy whirling through their paces. The group dances from 7:30-9:30PM Mondays in Johnson Recreation Center Social Hall.

—Johnny Schultz, a veteran square dance caller at 60, now is calling each Thursday beginning at 7PM in the Social Hall for the Intermediate level of the Westerners Square Dance Club of Sun City West. Schultz is an accredited member of Callerlab, the international organization of professional square dance callers, in which he has written and recorded more than 50 square dances. He has called dances throughout the U.S. and in Hawaii.

—The Sun City West Encore Needlecrafts Club has elected Mildred Toldrian as President. The club's activities include

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macrame, bunka, embroidery, crewel, crochet, needlepoint and knitting. The club meets at 9AM Fridays in the Social Hall of Johnson Recreation Center.

—The 20th Anniversary of Sun City will be celebrated throughout 1980, and its theme will be "The Coming of Age." The event will focus on the maturity of the retirement community, the beginning of a new decade, and recognition accorded older people for their contributions to society. Among early suggestions for anniversary celebrations have been cultural and sports events, senior seminars and a variety of writing projects. The 20th Anniversary Committee is urging friends, neighbors and club groups to encourage brainstorming sessions for the purpose of developing more ideas. These should be mailed to Sun City 20th Anniversary Committee, P.O. Box 1705, Sun City, Arizona 85372.

—Sun City West's first financial institution, the 137th branch in Arizona of First National Bank of Arizona, has opened with Carl Anderson as Manager. Business hours are 9AM-3PM Monday through Thursday and 9AM-5PM Fridays. The branch is located in temporary quarters at 19101 Johnson Boulevard until a new headquarters is built. Anderson has been with First National 21 years. The bank has four teller stations and offers all banking services except safe deposit boxes and a drive-in window.

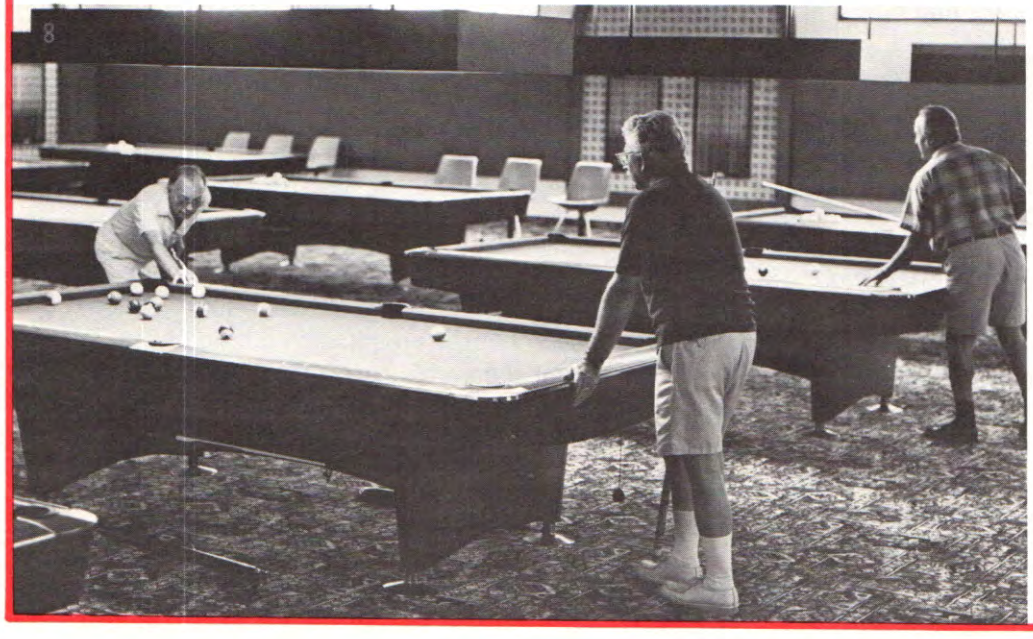
—And another busy new facility in West's Crestview Restaurant is Roy's Hairstyling. Roy Haglund and his staff cut and style men's and women's hair and also tint, frost, shade and tone, give permanents and perform hair and scalp treatments.

That's all for now, my faithful readers and future Sun City Westers. We're glad to hear you're enjoying the new photo-filled Newsletters. I'll be back next month.

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain





Anyone for pool?

Whether you prefer the warm Arizona sunshine or cool air-conditioned comfort, Sun City West's R. H. Johnson Recreation Center has plenty of activities to enjoy. The jacuzzi, with its muscle-soothing jet streams of water, is open from 10AM to 9PM daily. The billiard room in the Sports Pavilion also is open daily from 10AM to 9PM.

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August aerial

The month-to-month changes appear less dramatic now, but this latest aerial photograph shows how Sun City West continues to grow. The front 9 of Pebblebrook Golf Course (the dark T-shaped area in the center of the picture) is scheduled to open later this month.

Wondering who's getting ready to move to Sun City West, and just where they're going to be residing? Well, our faithful correspondents are writing to us again, so if you'll just read on, we've included reports on who's coming and from where. And we do appreciate readers' enthusiasm for the Sun City West photos we've been publishing. There'll be more in the future.

Her name is Chris Baudino and she's nurtured a dream for a long time. She and hubby John hail from Stone Creek Farm near Trivoli, Illinois. They're heading westward to sunny Arizona to live at 13303 Aleppo Drive in Sun City West. That, writes Chris, is her dream come true.

Chris has a Phoenix brother she and John have visited over the years while they watched the growth of Sun City "and have always hoped that some day we would live there." So, after surviving the "winter of 79" snowbound on their Illinois farm, they decided to pursue a new life. John, a practicing attorney with his office only five miles from their farm, raises Angus cattle on the farm and "watches the corn grow," writes Chris. She says John always has been a "work-a-holic" when it comes to his legal practice, has been city attorney, served on the board 10 years at the local community hospital and acted as consul for several fire and sanitary districts. Both served in World War II, Chris as an Air Force nurse and John in the C.I.C., working on the Manhattan Project from its beginning. Both enjoy swimming, hiking, bicycling, fishing and hope to get back on the golf courses again. They plan to summer on their Illinois farm, winter in Sun City West and do some traveling. And in Arizona they want to make new friends and renew old acquaintances.

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Another Illinois couple, Joe and Stella Wendling of Aurora, will be arriving in Sun City West soon to settle into their new duplex at 12935 Desert Glen Drive. Wendling is a retired employee of Thor Tool Co. and also is a real estate broker. He is planning to do considerable golfing and meet new friends. Stella is going to get back into golf again and enjoy many other activities in the Arizona sun.

Maybelle and Ernie A. Snyder of Lewisburg, Pennsylvania are delighted with our Sun City West Newsletter, especially the pictures which most graphically show the community's progress. The couple will reside at 12642 Regal Drive. A former watchmaker, hand engraver and retail jeweler, Ernie now is completing 50 years as a manufacturer's representative. Both he and Maybelle like antiques, and both would like to do some choir or chorus singing. Ernie plays the organ, used to bowl, and both he and Maybelle like photography. She's a great cook and fond of housekeeping. Until they can get to Sun City West they'd like to hear from future near-neighbors who would have time to write them at 560 Fairfield Road, Lewisburg, PA, 17837. Their interest in Sun City West residence began with a 10-day visit with a brother, Cal, and his wife, Helen, in December, 1977, at their Sun City home. And they were back for another short visit last April when they were selecting colors, carpeting and appliances for their home. The Snyders have two children, Stan of Ithaca, NY, whom they hope to coax west in the future, and a daughter, Kay, and her husband, John, of Huntington Beach, California, parents of the Snyder grandchildren, Renee and Mike. And right now the Snyders are looking forward to Christmas in Sun City West.

A veteran military man and wife, Doc and Aggie Hicks, who have been living in Deer Valley near Glendale, will live at 18006 Alyssum Drive in Sun City West. Doc, who is really Col. R.H. Hicks, served in the military 33½ years. He was a line officer in the Navy, then in the Air Force, and retired from Luke Air Force Base as base dental surgeon, his speciality being oral surgery. Originally from Virginia, the Hicks during their Arizona residence have watched Sun City West grow into "the beautiful city it is becoming." Aggie was a former secretary and school teacher and for many years in the states and overseas was an organist and choir director. The Hicks also are rabid auto race fans, and special boosters of Richard Petty and his fan club. They are also off-road race fans, and for seven years raced their own dune buggy in Arizona, California, Nevada and Mexico, with Doc doing the driving. And they're partial to music and travel.

Now for a letter from a Minnesota couple, Jean and Bob Ritland of St. Paul, who are looking forward to moving into their home in August at 17819 132nd Avenue, Sun City West. They're quite anxious to spend the next winter here rather than in Minnesota, where last winter began in November and ended sometime in April. But they're in their early 50s, not yet ready to retire, so they plan to keep working at least for a few years. Bob is an extremely talented cabinetmaker with 30 years experience. Jean is a legal secretary with 20 years experience. So they hope to be employed in Sun City West or close proximity.

Another couple "anxiously awaiting" arrival in Sun City West are Ruth and Ken Snyder of Verona, Pennsylvania, who will be moving to 12306 Tulip Court. They first became interested in Arizona living when they came to visit a son who didn't care for the rigors of the Pennsylvania winters and when he was graduated from Pittsburgh school of dentistry, elected to set up his dental practice in Arizona's Paradise Valley. The visit with their son led them to Sun City West, and there they arranged for their long-time dream or retiring in Arizona. The Snyders are lifelong residents of Pittsburgh. Ken will be retiring from Emerson Electric after 38 years with the firm. Ruth says they're looking forward to playing some golf, swimming and "joining in on a lot of the activities." And she added this note: "Just to be able to enjoy sunshine and warm temperatures instead of gloomy skies, snow shoveling and icy roads will be a real treat. We are anxious to meet our new neighbors on Tulip Court and would like very much to hear from them at 101 Richmore Drive, Verona, Pennsylvania 15147.

John A. Spaulding of Northbrook, Illinois, who on June 1 retired as budget officer of the Railroad Retirement Board in Chicago, and his wife, Marguerite L. Spaulding, arrived in Sun City West the latter part of July for key inspection of their new home at 13414 Castle Rock Drive. He wrote to say that he and Marguerite were looking forward "to joining the many 'newcomers' who have preceded us to Sun City West."



Cooling off

The Olympic-size swimming pool at Johnson Recreation Center continues to be popular with Sun City Westers looking for a cool spot in the midst of the summer warmth. Of course, some prefer to lounge around the deck and perfect their suntans.







Grape pickin'

Smiling faces and full baskets characterize the annual Grape Festival, which attracted thousands of Sun City Westers and Sun Citians to the vineyards in July. The event is co-sponsored by the J.G. Boswell Company and the Del E. Webb Development Company.

Unit 8

Rosemary and Bill Titler of Belle Vernon, Pennsylvania have sent word they're ready to claim their new home at 18027 Alyssum Drive. Bill is taking early retirement from his duties as superintendent of the cold draw mill at Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel Co. Rosemary already has "retired" from her years as director of communications for the Fox Grocery Co. in Belle Vernon. Both now are looking forward to a complete new way of life in Sun City West, along with "a challenging future." And Bill added: "There'll be no rocking chairs for this active couple."

Unit 5

The Harry Temples came to Sun City West from Bakersfield, California, to reside at 12942 Castle Rock Drive. Mr. Temple says he feels he belongs in Arizona as he arrived with his Arizona driver's license. A former railway engineer, active in governmental affairs for railway men, he had been a Bakersfield resident since 1945. His wife, Beverly, was a lifelong resident there and very active in the Mercy Hospital Auxiliary. She wears a 2,000-hour service pin from the hospital auxiliary. Now the Temples are looking for future neighbors who will be residing in their area of Castle Rock Drive.

Unit 3

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne W. Johnson of Hobart, Indiana, send word that they look forward to the Sun City West Newsletter and Activities Calendar and that they're really looking forward to their day of retirement as Westers. They were here last Christmas and saw how well things are progressing. They'll be moving to 12415 Beechwood Drive when that area is completed. They'll be known to friends and acquaintances as Helen and Vern.

Unit 3

Another Beechwood Drive couple will be Meredith and Dorothy Pulliam of Brownsburg, Indiana, who will occupy their Sun City West casa at 12922 Beechwood Drive. Meredith is retiring late this year after 30½ years service as an engineering project coordinator with Eli Lilly and Company of Indianapolis. And Dorothy has been executive director of domestic activities (i.e. housewife) in their Indiana home for 39 years and Meredith says he expects she'll assume similar duties at their Sun City West home. He adds they have "nothing grandiose planned for retirement, just enjoy the Arizona climate and scenery and play some shuffleboard and miniature golf." As a hobby, he makes jewelry from sterling silver and coins, and expects to continue that.

Sun City Westers joined Sun Citians in late July for the annual grape-picking festival in the J.G. Boswell groves and carloads of ripe, tasty Thompson Seedless, Perlette and Exotic grapes were harvested and carted home to grace tables, pantries and edible collections for relatives, neighbors and visitors. As in past years of the 15 years the festival has been an annual event, many of the grapes are destined to become raisins. Most participants formed car pools to reduce the traffic into the groves, but still long lines of thousands of automobiles entered the groves before daylight. All were guests of the J.G. Boswell family and the Del E. Webb Development Co., which put its own employees in the fields for both days to direct the picking, guide the retirees, and provide free refreshments. Old-timers among the harvesters termed the crowds of pickers the largest in history of the event. "It was like a grown-up Easter Egg hunt," said one picker as he watched men and women with buckets, sacks, cans and anything that would hold grapes searching under, into and through long rows of vines for the tasty grapes. As the sun began to rise (it was above 100 degrees that day) the grapes became more visible, but you had to crawl under the vines to see and pick the ripe ones. It's a sure bet there'll be oodles of raisins in Sun City and Sun City West in months to come.

An NBC-TV crew came in late June to Sun City and, during a Saturday night softball game with the Sun City Saints in action,

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they filmed a three-minute segment featuring not the Saints, but the Saints' Pom-Pom Girls for use nationally in an NBC feature titled "Real People". And some 2,000 Sun City and Sun City West softball fans provided an enthusiastic background for the filming while the Pom-Pom Girls went through their paces. It was a lively affair — done four times for the television crew. The 'girls' actually are Sun City ladies. Their energy, enthusiasm and talent are admirable as well as entertaining.

Sports is the order of the day as the Johnson Recreation Center nears completion in Sun City West. Retirees are now being welcomed into the modern Sports Pavilion, which features a 24-lane bowling center. The center also includes 10 shuffleboard courts, 25 tables for pool and billiards, an outdoor Olympic-size swimming pool with two adjacent jacuzzi pools, two indoor therapy pools with heated water, two four-wall racquetball handball courts with hardwood floors, a fully-equipped indoor woodworking room, a physical fitness room with a weight lifting machine, table tennis facilities, badminton and volleyball courts, a miniature golf course and an old-fashioned croquet court. For those interested in arts and crafts, there are fully-equipped workshops and studios for lapidary, ceramics, sewing, weaving and silvercrafts. Among other facilities are an electronic game machine arcade. A 1,000-seat Social Hall with adjoining kitchen and a 40,000 volume library in a separate building also are part of the Johnson Recreation Center.

The 250-seat lecture hall and future theater for acting groups is almost ready for opening in Johnson Recreation Center. The tiered theater, adjacent to the billiard room in the Sports Pavilion, will be initially used for meetings, but later will serve as a lecture hall, and then accommodate acting groups.

The new Sun City West Lions Club, headed by Peter Strupp as president, now meets at noon the second and fourth Monday of each month. Other officers include Al Humphrey, first vice-president; Morris Beldon, second vice-president; Harold Bidwell, third vice-president; Neal Hofstad, secretary; R.J. Meull, assistant secretary; E. Harold Jordon, treasurer; Ray Frick, assistant treasurer; Ted Scouten, lion tamer; Anthony Bianco, assistant lion tamer; Morris Beldon, tail twister, and George Schmidt, assistant tail twister.

Officers selected by the newly-formed Sun City West Pinochle Club include Don Hesselink, chairman; Emily Habluetzel, vice chairman, and Mary C. Quarequio, secretary-treasurer. The club meets Monday from 1 to 4 PM at Johnson Social Hall.

And now, to all our faithful readers who are interested in learning what's going on and what's in the future for Sun City West, this completes our report for August. But we'll be back in September with more news. Until then,

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain

Jerry McLain

Landmark

Expected to become a Sun City West landmark, the Spanish bell tower of the Johnson Recreation Center Library soars into the Arizona sky. The library, which is scheduled to open this fall, will feature a comfortable reading room and stack space for 40,000 volumes.



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Arizona sunset

Sentry-like pillars of rock are silhouetted against an illuminated sky in this photograph of a sunset at Monument Valley in northern Arizona. Such majestic formations make Monument Valley a must for the vacationer interested in the wonders of nature.

Don't look now, but the summer of 1979 is almost over, and although most of us felt it was cooler than last year, we couldn't be sure. Well, we're sure now. It's been confirmed by local weatherman Mark Worthington.

Take last month for instance. The average high temperature in August 1978 was 102.1 degrees, while the average high in August 1979 was 100.7 degrees. That may seem equally hot to most people, but Worthington quickly adds that air temperature is only one factor that contributes to our comfort, or discomfort, as the case may be. He says August '79's "comfort factor" registered at 75.5, compared to August 1978's comfort reading of 79.3. And that 75.5 reading put the area very close to the ideal summer comfort zone of 65 to 73.

Worthington invented the comfort factor, by the way, and he notes that it has no relationship to degrees Fahrenheit or Centigrade. It's a separate comfort scale that takes into consideration that old adage "it isn't the heat, it's the humidity," along with wind speed and mean radiation. And when those factors are considered, a summer in Sun City West is more "comfortable" than a summer in such places as Miami, Washington D.C., St. Louis or Seattle. Based on U.S. Weather Service 10-year records, average June comfort readings were: Sun City 71, Miami 85, Washington D.C. 75, St. Louis 82 and Seattle a sub-comfortable 58.

Free information on the comfort factor may be obtained by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to Comfort Factor, P.O. Box 1742, Sun City, AZ 85372.

And now that we're all comfortable, on with the news. We're rarely inclined to "toot our own horn," even in quoting somebody else, but in quoting the following writer, we're inclined to feel he was sincere in what he wrote of the Sun City West visit of himself and wife, so here 'tis, following:

A self-styled "ardent reader of your Newsletter," Leo Bruskin of Glen Cove, New York, accompanied by wife, Helen, braved the mid-July desert heat for their first Sun City West visit and termed it "very enjoyable and educational." Bruskin, an estate and gift tax examiner with the Internal Revenue Service who plans to retire by the end of this year, declared of their Sun City West visit: "We were very much impressed and pleased with the amount of progress shown by the Del Webb Development Co. in the construction of Sun City West. We went home with a great deal of admiration and respect for the organization, which covered the maid service at the vacation apartments up to the level of management at the administrative offices. They all performed as professional in the fields at which they were working.

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One reason for making the trip was to check out the time schedule for start of construction of our house. We went home satisfied that this does not consist of only building homes. In driving around the area, we slowly became aware that we were not only buying a house, but also buying a share in a city. The men constructing the street walls, putting in landscaping, putting in street lights, building a golf course, the shopping center, the heavy trucking and construction equipment all around the area, the delivering of supplies; all of this reflecting a tremendous amount of activity going around everywhere. This left a deep impression with us as to the immense planning and problems to be overcome before a place like Sun City West can be completed. To appreciate what is happening at Sun City West, one has to witness these things by visiting the area and driving around. The eagerness and the degree of assistance offered visitors by the Del Webb staff and residents of Sun City West were something we found gratifying; an experience not often found anywhere in the United States. It sounds 'corny' but there is a Sun City West spirit to be kind and to be helpful which is catching even for visitors." Bruskin then wrote about how thrilled he and Helen were to be invited to participate in the annual Grape Festival — "a fitting climax to our visit." Of course, the Bruskin's vacation was combined with the business of selecting colors, working up change orders, and acquiring answers to some of the questions about their future house. Their residence, incidentally, will be at 12303 Banyan Court. Bruskin anticipates retiring by the end of this year. Wife Helen is active in fund raising for charitable organizations when not occupied with her growing flowers and vegetables. She also is looking forward to membership in the Sun City West Sheriff's Posse, and would like some work in public relations. The Bruskins would like letters from future neighbors and urge them to write to 269 Walnut Road, Glen Cove, NY 11542.

Another ex-government employee, Ralph Jacobs, recently retired from the government printing office, and with his wife, Ruth, will occupy their home at 13030 Limewood Drive. They hail from the Gaithersburg, Maryland, area and have lived there and in Silver Spring, Maryland since 1959. They're looking forward to the Arizona move and making new friends, though they'll be leaving behind quite a bit of family, including a daughter, son-in-law and two grandchildren in Maryland, as well as a son, daughter-in-law and two granddaughters in Mobile, Alabama, where the son is a rabbi at Springhill Avenue Temple. Ralph's hobbies are reading, swimming, and "mainly people" reports Ruth. She has been a life member of B'nai B'rith Women and hopes to find a chapter in Sun City West. She enjoys all sorts of crafts and previously was an occupational therapist. The Jacobs are looking forward to gaining many new friends in Sun City West.

Earl and Bobbie Hitch of Warren, Michigan, buttoned up the ownership of their Sun City West home at 13451 Castle Rock Drive last December, and they write to say they "can't hardly wait" to move away from those Michigan winters and settle in sunshiny Arizona. But it may be some time. You see, Earl admits he has "almost five years to go to retirement." They're pleased with the help of their sales counselor, John E. Smith. And they speak highly of Sun City West friends, the M. Makmanns of Keystone Drive and Sun City friends, the A.J. Martins on Palo Verde Drive. And what they'd really like is for the time to come when they can move out here and join them — permanently. Earl adds: "It's also a very rewarding experience to deal with a reputable development company like Del E. Webb, where everyone we met has generated a wholehearted feeling of good faith and professionalism."

They spent 10 days in their Sun City West home, then had to head back East to put their Minneapolis home up for sale, so now the Marshall L. Allendorfs of 5832 Clinton Avenue S in Minneapolis are more than anxious to get back to Arizona. They receive each issue of the Sun City West Newsletter, and they've fairly devoured both news and pictures issue by issue. But nothing will satisfy like getting back to that new home at 13238 Kodiac Drive, Mrs. Allendorf's latest letter indicates. So it won't be long now that she and hubby Marshall will



Shopping center construction

Construction workers raise a portion of the rear wall of Camino del Sol Shopping Center in Sun City West. Located on the southeast corner of Camino del Sol and R.H. Johnson Boulevards, the 126,000-square foot center is scheduled for completion in the first quarter of 1980. The $3.2 million center will include a Safeway supermarket, a Walgreens drug store, men's and women's clothing stores, a furniture/decorator store, two beauty salons, a barber shop, a salad/sandwich shop, a florist, a ladies shoe store, a travel agency and a lock and key shop.



Leagues begin

Nearly 300 Sun City West residents are currently bowling in 13 leagues at the new Johnson Rec Center lanes, which feature Brunswick's new synthetic surface. Line rate is 65 cents, with shoe rental 25 cents. The lanes and coffee shop are open from 10AM to 9PM daily.

be saying "Goodbye Minneapolis, and Hello Sun City West!" And they'll be welcome.

Then there's Althea and Roger Curfman of Mayfield Heights (a Cleveland suburb) Ohio, who should be settled in their Sun City West home at 17623 Whispering Oaks Drive by the time you're reading this. Rog retired from Cleveland Electric Illuminating Co. after 30 years as company fuel agent. Althea was an office worker 18 years with Hillside Dairy. They're looking forward to lots of golf (Rog is great but Althea is just a beginner). They're also interested in swimming, biking, exercising, bowling, "and traveling throughout the beautiful West." Rog is a photography buff, and enjoys fishing — all of which await him. Althea's other talents are bridge and needlework. They have friends in Phoenix who checked periodically for them and sent periodic progress reports and photos on their Sun City West home. Now the Curfmans are enthusiastic and ready to head westward.

Frank and Terry Delaney undoubtedly are already in their Sun City West home at 18215 130th Avenue. They wrote in early August from River Edge, New Jersey. They had been planning the momentous move for two years, wrote Terry. Now they were ready. In 32 years residence in River Edge, they had been instrumental in the establishment of their church, and both received plaques from mayor and council for their services to the town. Frank resigned as trustee of the Blood Bank and secretary of the planning and zoning board of adjustment. He retired as manager of International Appraisal Co. Terry is a past president of the Women's Club of River Edge. Now with Sun City West ahead, Frank's interest lies in golf, lapidary and all the sports and athletic events available. Terry, meanwhile, will take a good look at arts and crafts, in which she was in the past quite a winner. They praised their sales counselor, Ken Meade, for his help. Both have found our monthly Newsletter informative. Hopefully, most of you have that feeling.

Another couple due soon in Sun City West are Otto R. and Virginia (Bunny) Becker of Peru, Illinois, who will reside at 12803 Jadestone Drive. They're looking forward to joining in many activities with Westers, including golf and swimming, and then they'll look over the social calendar. After running his own dairy business in Peru many years, Otto joined Foster Grant Plastics, doing accounting and purchasing for 16 years. Now they're looking forward to new experiences in Arizona.

Sun City West is going to play host to a women's professional golf tournament early in 1980, and it will be played on its beautiful Hillcrest golf course, which now is being placed in tip-top shape. The LPGA event will be called the Sun City Classic and will be played under sponsorship of the Del E. Webb Development Co. from February 27 through March 2. It is expected to attract the nation's top feminine golfers. Anticipated participants include Nancy Lopez, leading money winner on the women's tour, and Donna Caponi Young, another leading feminine star. John Byrne, Webb's community relations director, said the Hillcrest course already is undergoing extensive upgrading in preparation for the tournament, expected to be a popular spectator event.

Senior softball, Sun City and Sun City West style, is far from being a group of elderly men and women just getting together for a little recreation. It's highly competitive. The slow-pitch league uses a 12-inch inseam softball, and each team fields 10 players. Both men and women players must be 50 or older. All games are played in Sun City Stadium, spring training home of the Milwaukee Brewers.

Now taking shape next to the gigantic Sun City West Johnson Recreation Center is the spectacular Sundome Center for the Performing Arts, a $6.3 million facility to be completed by the end of the 1980 winter season. It will seat 6,800 and will be the largest theater for the performing arts ever built in Arizona. Its sophisticated audio system will provide guests in every seat the same sound presence as front row center. Booking of performers for the showhouse already is underway.

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The Sun City Saints, pride of sports fans among residents of both Sun City and Sun City West, wound up their 1979 season in late August by winning the national women's softball championship in the Springfield, Missouri, national tournament. They went through the week-long tourney, a double-elimination affair, without a defeat and without even being scored upon. As Rocky Mountain regional champs, they had fallen short of the national title in 13 previous years, but this time they weren't to be denied. They wound up with the title in a 2-0 victory over the Glendale, California, Blazers.

Bus service of six round trips a day from Monday through Saturday now is being provided by the Del E. Webb Development Co. between Sun City West and Sun City. Cost of the bus travel is 35 cents per ride, ten rides for $3 and 20 rides for $5. Buses leave Crestview Restaurant in Sun City West at 8:30AM, 9:40AM, 10:50AM, noon, 1:10PM and 2:20PM. In Sun City the bus travels to Bell Camino, Greenway Terrace and Thunderbird Plaza shopping centers, Lakeview Medical Arts Center, Boswell Hospital, Thunderbird Medical Arts Center, Grand and LaRonde shopping centers and back to Crestview.

Federal revenue sharing funds of $25,000 have been earmarked by Maricopa County supervisors for purchase of books for the Sun City West library. Martha Poe, director of the county library, said the funds will be used to purchase non-fiction books, basic reference books and new novels. The books should be processed by October 1 for delivery to the library, she added. Additionally, the county is donating 10,000 volumes from their stacks and the Sun City Library is donating more than 500 volumes. The Sun City West library, located in the R.H. Johnson Recreation Center, is expected to open in November and is to be stocked with 40,000 volumes.

The Sun City West Sheriff's Posse already is at work on its first assignment — watching over homes of residents who are away on vacation or out of the city on business. Residents mail a postcard with address and instructions to posse headquarters and regular patrols keep checking on the homes night and day.

The United Methodist Church organization has obtained a six-acre church site in Sun City West. The property is at the southeast corner of Aleppo and Spanish Gardens, just across from the junction of housing units seven and eight, according to the Rev. Leslie Ross of First United Methodist Church in Sun City. Ross said a new minister will be appointed to help organize and to serve United Methodists in Sun City West. And a committee of Methodists is planning purchase of a Sun City West home to serve as a parsonage.

After an airplane flight from Denver, Mrs. William Moehlenhof and husband arrived in Sun City about 10PM to look over homes for sale the next day. Only on arrival did she discover she had lost her checkbook and $900 in cash. And it may be difficult to believe, but there was a phone call awaiting her in Sun City — from Denver. It was a woman airline employee in Denver — telling her she had found her checkbook and $900 cash. She arranged for Mrs. Moehlenhof to return to the Phoenix airport the next day, and there was her checkbook and money awaiting her. A story with a happy ending.

Speaking of ending, that's it for this edition of your Newsletter. Please remember we still can use more letters from you, our readers. Let us know something of your plans and when we can anticipate seeing you out West. Fall will be here before you know it, and that's a beautiful time in the Sun Cities. Why not drop us a line and let us know your plans. We're waiting for you . . .

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain

Jerry McLain



Bus service

A group of Sun City West residents and vacationers prepare to board the bus for home after a morning at Bell Camino Shopping Center. The bus, provided by the Del E. Webb Development Company, makes six round trips daily from Monday through Saturday between Sun City West and Sun City. Check for details in this Newsletter.

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Looking north — October 1979

Various Sun City West facilities can be seen under construction in this aerial photograph of the community. The Sundome Center for the Performing Arts lower left (1B) is scheduled for completion in Spring 1980. The Center will accommodate 6,800 persons, making it the largest theater in Arizona. Hillcrest Golf Course Pro Shop (1C), will open early next month, while the Pebblebrook Pro Shop (2E) is set to open about year's end. Both courses opened earlier. Landscaping is underway at Stardust Golf Course (1E-F), which plans to open its front nine this winter. On the residential front, housing construction has begun in Unit 12 (2F) and duplexes are underway in Unit 11 (3E-F).

Notice a sort of crispness in the air these early mornings? Well, it's that time of year here in Arizona, and you'll see new faces appearing among Sun City Westers. Yes, the exodus from the cold and snow of the East and Midwest is beginning.

Quite likely already in Sun City West are Warren B. Crandell and wife, Carrie, of Sterling Heights, Michigan, who will be moving into their new residence at 17650 131st Drive. The move culminates three trips to this area since February 1977 to decide on a retirement home. Crandell, 36 years in education, has been either superintendent or assistant superintendent 29 of those years. Warren, says Carrie, has had a busy schedule rearing four children and acting as a representative for World Book Encyclopedia for the past 20 years. They expect to be involved in Sun City West activities and will pursue an interest in antiques. They're also looking forward to making many new friends.

Then there's Ray A. Sliga and wife, Irene, of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, who are ready to get moving toward Sun City West to occupy

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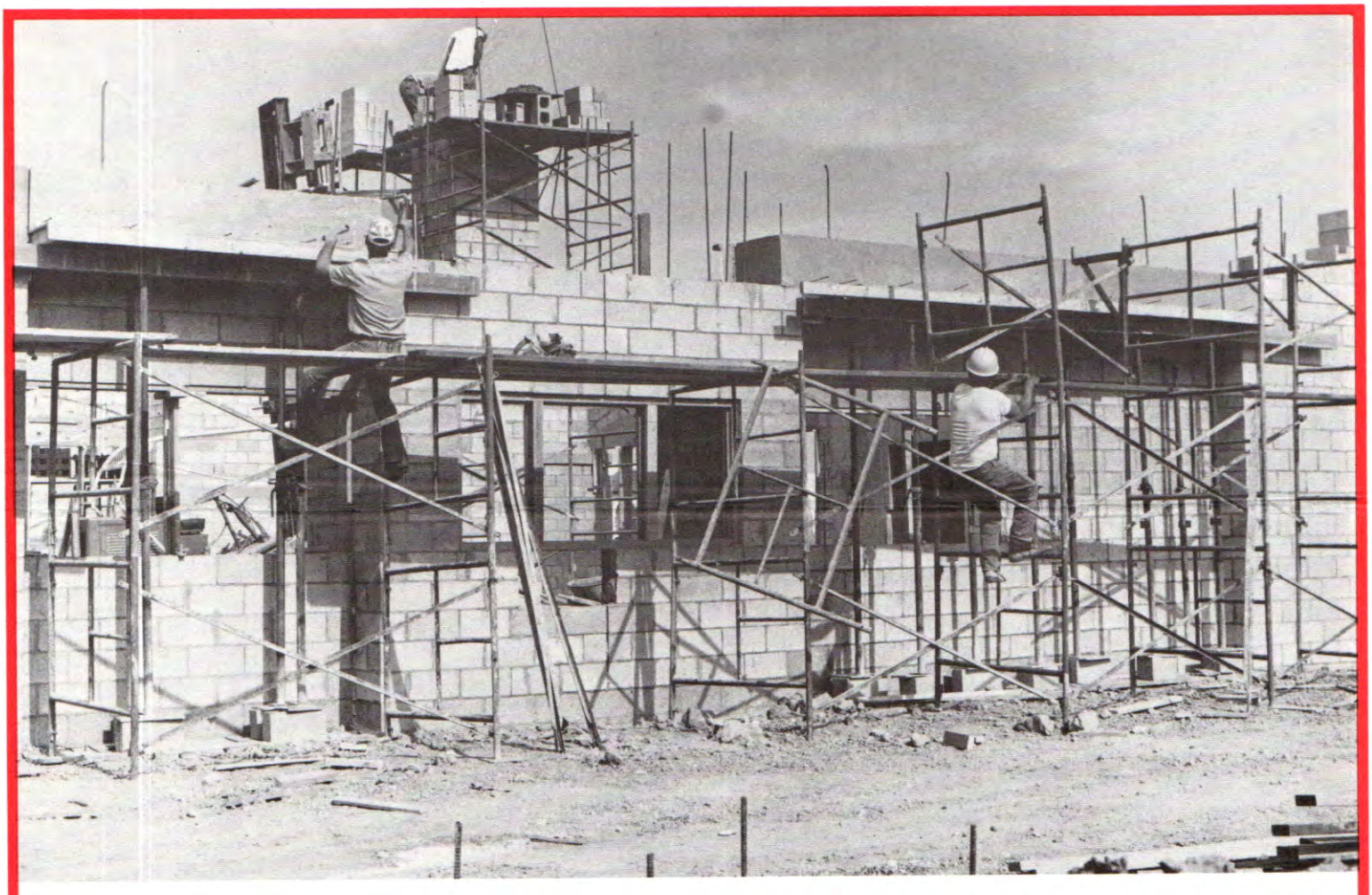
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their new home at 12806 Jadestone Drive. Irene has just retired after 30 years as executive housekeeper with Milwaukee county institutions. Ray has been with Miller Brewing Company 33½ years, as he says, "supplying the thirsty their favorite beverage, Miller High Life and Miller Lite beers." Both the Sligas enjoy bowling, golfing, swimming, dancing and traveling. But once here they plan to postpone further traveling until they get their new home completely ready to entertain friends they now have in Sun City and Tucson. After that, some more traveling! Oh yes, they're certainly hoping to be settling in Sun City West before the first snow starts falling in Milwaukee.

And now retired from Dayton, Ohio, Newspapers, Inc., and quite likely already in Sun City West settled into their home at 13215 Beardsley Road are the Dayton Borgers, Harold and Ada. Now that they have retired from a busy newspaper life, they're ready to relax and give some attention to making new friends, enjoying some golfing, bowling, fishing, swimming and "just plain relaxing." A big welcome to the Borgers from Dayton!

If there is any doubt of golf's popularity in Sun City and Sun City West, Steve Lewis now is teaching a third "How to Play Golf" class on Thursday afternoons for 13 weeks at Rio Salado Community College in Sun City's Bell Plaza. Lewis, a Sun Citian, has been teaching golf 17 consecutive semesters, and many courses are designed specifically for the non-golfer, beginner and "hacker."

The 1979-80 Lecture Series, especially planned for Sun City and Sun City West residents, began October 15 and will continue through March 17. Timothy Severin, whose historic voyage from Ireland to Newfoundland proved that St. Brendan could have discovered America 1,000 years before Columbus, opens the Series. Troika Balalaikas, a Russian folk group, offers a show of music from the Russian heartland November 12. The program includes a lecture on the lifestyle of rural Russia. Economist Paula Nelson, host of the weekly "Money" segment of television's "Today Show" since 1977, appears December 17. She also has appeared in money management features on the Merv Griffin, Phil Donahue, Mike Douglas and Dinah Shore shows. On January 21, 1980, "Caribbean Dutch Treat," a travel film production by Lisa Chickering and Jeanne Porterfield, will be presented. Exotic locations in the Dutch West Indies and unspoiled beaches in Aruba are included in the film. David Brinkley, "NBC Nightly News" co-anchorman, speaks February 4. He teamed 14 years with the late Chet Huntley on the Huntley-Brinkley Report, a program which at its height drew a nightly audience of 20 million listeners. And on March 17 Broadway star Bob Wright will present a "Musical Theatre Cavalcade." All Lecture Series events will be held at 2PM and 8PM in Sun City's Sundial Auditorium. A



Core construction

Scenes like this are becoming increasingly common in Sun City West's core area as construction activity picks up pace. This building will eventually be Southwest Savings and Loan. It's Spanish architecture will feature a mission tile roof, heavy wood beams and a beige stucco exterior. Landscaping will include the use of eucalyptus, African sumac, juniper and Canary Island pine trees.



Cul-de-sac Club

Members of Sun City West's unique 134th Avenue Cul-de-sac Club include, from left, Frank and Marie Schwartz from Hackensack, New Jersey; George and Loise Copes from Brooklandville, Maryland; George and Betty Kemnitz from Plymouth, Michigan; and Vi and Pat Cutrona from Long Island, New York. Members not pictured are Red and Blanche Barry from Clarinda, Iowa. The club has no dues, no bylaws, no officers, just friendliness to each neighbor. The club first met at the Barrys last December for a delicious Iowa roast beef dinner with all the trimmings, including home made pumpkin pie with whipped cream. The Copes had just arrived from Maryland and had no food in the house, nor a refrigerator. Everyone had such a good time, it was decided to meet often. Next on the club's agenda is a homecooked spaghetti dinner in November at the Cutrona's home. Sounds like a club everyone would like to join.

season ticket covering all six events costs $12. Tickets for individual events are $3. Tickets are available by mail from the Del E. Webb Development Company Public Relations Department.

The second annual Fitness Festival for Sun City West and Sun City folks begins October 22 with the start of "wellness" screenings. Under direction of the Health Evaluation and Longevity Planning Foundation of nearby Scottsdale, screenings will continue through October 31. Already planned for the festival are exercise sessions, guest speakers, bike rides, group walks, jogs and swimming demonstrations. Entry forms are now available and all entrants will receive official Fitness Festival T-shirts — monogrammed "Off My Rocker, Into Fitness" — at the beginning of the exercise program. Helen Budde is Festival Committee chairman and the Del E. Webb Development Company the sponsor.

There's great interest in solar heating in Sun City West, where solar water heaters are standard home installations in the new models, so Mike Marinello, a solar energy expert from Arizona State University in Tempe, visited Johnson Recreation Center recently to conduct a seminar on solar units. He explained how residents might cut utility bills and gave details on do-it-yourself workshops for homeowners who wished to construct their own solar units.

A class in aerobic exercises which meets at 8AM on Monday, Wednesday and Friday each week in the Johnson Social Hall at Sun City West has been attracting many Westers who wanted to get some healthy exercise. Each brings his or her own cushioned pad and joins in.

Members of the Women's Guild of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish in Sun City West are developing projects to raise funds for the benefit of their church building fund. Mass is celebrated from 9-10 AM Sundays in the Social Hall of Johnson Center, and a family get-together and coffee follows Mass.

Helen Mason, chairman of the Property Owners and Residents Association's membership committee has announced new members are being accepted from Sun City West residents from 9AM to noon Fridays in the community's First National Bank building. General membership meetings of PORA also were resumed in September at Johnson Social Hall.

Sun City West Lions Club members have selected the Crestview Restaurant as their permanent meeting place and Peter Strupp, SCW Lions president, has invited Lions from other communities to attend Monday meetings there. A membership drive is being planned.

Arizona legislators now are making personal visits to Sun City and Sun City West to meet and chat with home owners, announcing in advance their visitation dates and hours they will be available. Recent lawmaker visitors included Sen. Anne Lindeman; Sen. Hal Runyon, Sen. John Pritzlaff, Rep. Bob Denny, Rep. James Ratliff, Rep. Pat Wright and Rep. Cal Holman.

A wholly-owned subsidiary of the Del E. Webb Development Company, Sun State Insulation Company, early in 1980 will begin manufacturing insulation for use in homes in Sun City West as well as those other homebuilders are erecting throughout Arizona, Webb Company President, John W. Meeker recently announced. Sun State will manufacture both bat and loose line insulation. Meeker said the mineral wool insulation plant should cut costs to the Arizona homebuyer. The plant will insure ample

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supplies of quality insulation for the Sun City West project, which calls for construction of more than 30,000 homes by the early 1990s. The $3 million plant will feature the most modern insulation manufacturing equipment, Meeker said. Environmental control systems will account for more than one-third of the total cost and will meet or exceed all federal and state Environmental Protection Agency requirements.

The Sun City Saints, the team which brought Sun City and Sun City West their first national women's fastpitch softball championship, were hosted recently by 450 residents at the Sun City Lakes Club. And at the awards banquet it was announced the Saints will represent the American Softball Association, the United States and Arizona's Sun Cities in a week-long softball-playing tour of Japan beginning November 17. The gala evening of awards, speeches and fun saw the naming of Pitcher Michelle Thomas, winner of four of the championship games, as the Saints' most valuable player. Other major honors went to Gail Davenport, rookie of the year; 17-year-old Lisa Stuck, the spark-plug/inspiration award; Deanne Clark, most improved player; and Lisa Clinchy, first recipient of the Ken Mitchell award, to be presented annually to the team's outstanding outfielder. (Mitchell is assistant property manager and stadium manager for the Webb Company). Team members also were awarded gift certificates, necklace charms signifying their No. 1 status, trophies, and, from the Webb Company, a spanking new set of luggage for each team member for the Japan trip.

Well, faithful and enthusiastic Newsletter readers, that's the story of the Saints' success, and their 3-foot-plus, 70-pound national softball trophy remains on display here in Arizona, for all to admire. And that pretty well sums up this Newsletter. We'll be back next month with more news, and, meanwhile, how about a little news from you folks? When will we be seeing you out here in Sun City West? Soon, we hope!

Sincerely,

Jerry McLain



Fitness time

Hundreds of participants in last year's Sun City Fitness Festival reach for their toes during flexibility exercises in the Sun Bowl. This year's Festival, which will begin next month, again will include exercise sessions three times per week, speakers clinics on such topics as nutrition and weight control, and special events like group walks, jogs and bicycle rides. The Festival's ultimate goal is to help participants experience a fuller, more enjoyable life through a regular program of physical activity.

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Landscaped boulevard

Landscaping is often the difference between a good appearance and a great one, and the Del E. Webb Development Company has made tasteful, functional landscaping one of its trademarks. This median beautifies R.H. Johnson Boulevard at the entrance to Sun City West. The Webb Company received the 1978 Arid-Zona Landscaping Award from Arizona's Desert Botanical Gardens for its medians along Bell Road in Sun City. The award cited the Webb Company's demonstration of excellent water conservation, the use of a variety of arid land plants in a suitable situation and superb application of basic landscaping principals.

Before I get too deeply involved with the "news" of this Newsletter, let me wish all of you a very happy Thanksgiving. As you sit down to your turkey dinner, and we sit down to ours, let's all remember the many things we have to be thankful for. Why, we needn't look any further than out our window to see something we're extremely happy about — Sun City West and its citizens. Population has passed 4,000 and there's more people on the way.

There's Judge Joseph Clifford and his wife, Carolyn, who will soon be moving into their new home at 12627 Butterfield Drive. Clifford, who sits on the Franklin County Municipal Court in Columbus, Ohio, says he likes the Sun City West climate so much he's resigning in mid-term to head west and enjoy it. Carolyn is a psychiatric social counselor and the couple plans to make full use of all recreational activities.

Already settled in their home at 12947 Prospect Drive are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson. Arthur says the couple made the trip from Fort Lauderdale, Florida, in five days, but it must have been worthwhile. "We love our new home in Sun City West," Arthur says.

All the way from Richmond Hill, New York, come the Marinos, Lee and Ronnie. They expect to be in their home in 12918 Prospect Drive by Thanksgiving, but only for a short time. The permanent move won't come for several years, they say. The Marinos, like many Sun City West newcomers, would like to stay on the Newsletter mailing list even after their arrival here. While that can't be arranged, we should mention that the monthly publication can be picked up in the lobby of the Del E. Webb Development Company Administration Building.

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Another couple hoping to make the move west during November is Lois and Rex Wiegand of Edina, Minnesota. They're anxious to get settled in their new home at 18243 129th Avenue so they can spend their hours enjoying golf, bowling, dancing and making new friends. Rex spent his last 30 years with the Chevrolet Motor Division.

Looks like the Sun City West Sheriff's Posse will be getting some real experience in their ranks in the form of George and Ebba Grega, who have a combined 49 years of law enforcement in their background, most of it in the Minneapolis, Minnesota, area. "The Posse sounds very interesting and is certainly a feather in the community's hat," George says. George likes all sports, while Ebba is fond of needlecrafts and nature studies. The Gregas expect to move into their new home at 13007 Westgate Drive shortly.

Steve Keller of Grants Pass, Oregon, had been shopping this past summer in the sunshiny Southwest for a retirement home. With his wife, he visited Sun City West and Sun City and liked what they saw. So, some weeks later, this time accompanied by a son, Ronald, Keller was back in Sun City West to select a home. And on his first day here, Keller strolled into the Crestview Restaurant and into its gift shop. To his startled surprise, there stood a woman he knew but hadn't seen for at least 40 years. "Aren't you Bobbie Mordalle?" he asked. She was, and there was a great reunion. She now is Mrs. Earl Hitch of Warren, Michigan, who with her husband Earl, had just purchased a Sun City West home at 13451 Castle Rock Drive. Steve had known her in Detroit as a teen-age girl who often visited the flower shop his father operated. It was quite a reunion!

Sun City West celebrated its first birthday October 20 with a gala celebration at R.H. Johnson Recreation Center. There were Hawaiian dancers at poolside, a Dixieland band in the Social Hall and a chamber music group in the Library. There were professional bowlers and billiard players in the Sports Pavilion and a puppeteer in the Lecture Hall. When evening rolled around there were dances in both the Social Hall and the Crestview Restaurant, with complimentary cake and coffee served to all. It was one Happy Birthday!

John W. Meeker, President of Del E. Webb Development Company, builder of Sun City and Sun City West, addressed a recent PORA meeting (Property Owners and Residents Association) which brought out more than 800 PORA members and Sun City West residents who filled all seating space and considerable standing room in the Social Hall of Johnson Recreation Center. Meeker's topics included an announcement that Sun City West's first shopping center on Camino del Sol and Johnson Boulevard is being pushed for early 1980 completion and opening. It will include, among many shops, a Safeway

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Double vision

The calm waters of the lake that nearly surrounds Pebblebrook Golf Course's 18th green create a perfect mirror. In the background, beyond the 10th fairway, one can see housing construction continuing along Banyan Drive in Unit 12. Pebblebrook's back nine opened for play November 1. The front nine opened several months ago.



Signs of the times

Signs like the ones in this collage are sprinkled throughout the core area of Sun City West as construction continues to blossom. In the background of "The First" sign one can see a portion of the community's first shopping center as it progresses toward an opening in early 1980.

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Supermarket and Walgreen's Drug. A second shopping center, Meeker said, is to be built at 128th Street and Beardsley Road, with construction starting the first or second quarter of 1980. Webb representatives now are working on leases with Lucky Supermarkets and Longs Drugs, Meeker said. A full-service and self-service Mobil gasoline station is slated for construction soon at Johnson Boulevard and Camino del Sol. Negotiations also are underway for a Guadalaharry's Restaurant at Johnson and Meeker Boulevards and construction of a building for PORA on the west side of Camino del Sol.

The Sundome Center for the Performing Arts, Sun City West's $6.2 million theater, is still under construction, but it's already attracted the Sun City Symphony to its doorstep. Yes, the local symphony will perform its 1980-81 concert series in the Sundome. Symphony Association President Emmett Sarig said the Sundome's 6,800-seat capacity will allow more people to hear the symphony and will permit reserved seating to be offered at various prices. The Sundome will be the largest theater in the state of Arizona.

Close to 500 persons have signed up to participate in the second annual Sun City/Sun City West Fitness Festival. Included in the three-month Festival are guided exercise sessions three times per week; seminars on nutrition, weight control, etc.; group activities such as jogs, walks and bicycle rides; and a monogrammed "Off My Rocker — Into Fitness" T-shirt. The Festival's goal is to inspire Sun City West and Sun City residents toward more healthy lives through regular execise.

Contracts have been ironed out that will result in a single Sun City-Sun City West telephone directory. Co-sponsored by the Property Owners and Residents Association (PORA) of Sun City West, the Sun City Taxpayers Association and Sun City Home Owners Association, the book will retain the "hometown" section giving residents by city and state, as well as listing spouses and previous employment.

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A Retired Officers Chapter is forming in Sun City West and a nominating committee has already been appointed. Spearheading the drive to form the group are Col. J.C. Conine and Maj. Stanley Hirsch.

The Sun City West Sheriff's Posse continues to grow in numbers and experience. Fourteen more members completed Red Cross and first-aid training last month.

State Representatives Peter Corpstein and Cal Holman spoke to more than 1,000 members of PORA at an October meeting and the news was good. The legislators told the group that repairs to Bell Road between Sun City West and Sun City would begin in December.

Personnel at Sun City West's Crestview Restaurant got into the Halloween spirit by dressing up in a variety of costumes. Dining room guests were served by such notable personalities as Dolly Parton, Pancho Villa, and the Scarecrow from the Wizard of Oz.

While most of us receive ordinary letters in the mail, some people get some giant surprises via the postman. Mrs. Leo Mossing of Sun City recently received a huge, 2½-pound apple in the mail from an orchardist in Oregon. The enormous fruit sells for $5. Big enough to keep the doctor away for at least a week, wouldn't you say?

That senior softball that went through a couple months competition at the Sun City ballpark wound up toward September's end with a surprising championship team in the come-from-behind Apaches, who scalped the Sinners, 10-7, for the title. Limited to seniors 50 or older, the first such senior league attracted more than 100 men and a dozen-or-so women. It was a slow-pitch league, played with a 12-inch inseam softball. Each team fielded 10 players. The Sinners won a pair leading up to the title game, while the Apaches scored 14 runs in the final two innings of their lone play-off game and moved directly into the title game via a second-round bye. Now listen to Al Reznik, Sun City News-Sun sports editor: "What I saw were 21 men and a lone woman produce seven innings of slow-pitch softball they and this resort-retirement community can be darned proud of. There was a display of good hitting and fielding, some sloppiness reminiscent of the Mets of old, playing with pain (oh, the pain) like few pros would and bruhahas that would make Leo Durocher's conversations with Jocko Conlan look like a couple of guys deciding where to have dinner. There was Jimmy Burke playing left field like the brilliant young ballplayer he was; there was Hank Anemone making like Brooks Robinson at third; there was Charlie Visconti flying toward first and doing a somersaulting tumble over the bag, popping up in chagrin to shout, "What the heck does a guy have to do to get a (censored) base hit!" There was Babe Barkdoll — the only female on the field — playing center like she almost knew what to do — and she did — (except that one time she grabbed a ground hit and threw it to the leftfielder instead of the second baseman awaiting her relay). There was Ev Kaufman playing shortstop like an athlete balking at the fact he was old enough to live in Sun City. There were the catcalls, razzing, kill-the-umpire comments that are a part of competitive softball. And, at the end, there were handshakes and pats on the back all around for a good game on both sides, and "Hail to the Champion Apaches!" What it all meant was that once again Sun Citians and Sun City Westers had shown that somewhere in the community was located a fountain of youth. And there already have been assurances that an even bigger senior league will be around next spring. Bring back a bunch of players in the mold of those who played in that title game — and all the others — and the league can do nothing more than succeed."

That winds up this edition of your Newsletter. Now please let us hear from you. Write and tell us when we can expect you folks in Sun City West. The beautiful fall season is here and there wouldn't be a more pleasant time to come out for a visit, or to settle down in that new retirement home. C'mon, the wel-
C'mon, the welcome mat is out.

Jerry McLain, whose friendly, homespun writing made The Newsletter a popular publication, suffered a stroke and passed away late last month. Jerry began his career as a newspaperman nearly a half-century ago. He later become the Del E. Webb Corporation's vice president in charge of public relations and, when he reached retirement, began editing The Newsletter. As a public relations professional and communicator, Jerry had unquestioned ability and integrity. Those of us who knew him best will remember him for more than the job he did. Jerry was a gentleman and a gentle man.



Morning run

A Sun City Wester gets in a morning jog at the community's new ¼-mile running track. Designed with the senior runner in mind, the track's SuperTurf surface covers a 5/8-inch closed cell foam base, providing plenty of "give." The track is part of the R.H. Johnson Recreation Center complex and it encircles the lawn bowling greens. Adjoining the track is a Parcourse Fitness Circuit, which features 18 exercise stations designed for flexibility and stretching, strength and muscle toning and cardiovascular conditioning.