Hello Joslyn Center enthusiasts,

July 2021 – Joslyn Center Update

Woohoo – the Joslyn Center reopened as planned on June 15th! There were some lastminute twists ahead of welcoming members back in (the need to post information about state mask guidance – see: <u>https://covid19.ca.gov/masks-and-ppe/#Guidance-for-</u> <u>businesses</u>; and the County telling us on Monday the 14th that we could <u>not</u> reopen until certain conditions were met), but things have gone very well thus far.

I am going to devote most of this newsletter to updates and pictures from our center clubs. But briefly before those, I want to thank Peg in the office, and Ofelia providing cleaning services to us, for the outstanding work they have been doing as we have navigated our way through the transition from locked up to fully open. It was hard to know what would be needed and both of these ladies have really stepped up behind the scenes. I encourage you to express your gratitude when you see or talk to either of them!

Club Updates

On Tuesday June 15th around 11:30am, the Table Tennis Club was the first group to use the main hall since March of 2020.

And.....we're back!



From Dancersize: On Wednesday, June 15th, Dancercise and strength-training returned with a whopping 28 members ready to dance and lift "Those Covid Blues" away. We welcome new members to join us at 9 am every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Contact Maryann Grau for additional information.

From the **Couples Dance Club**: CAMBRIA COUPLES DANCE CLUB IS BACK ON THE FLOOR! We had our first dance in almost a year and a half on Wednesday, June 23rd and it was great. We had a new band called Downbeat! to provide live dance music. There were 8 member couples in attendance plus a few guests. Because the kitchen was not open yet, we skipped our normal (and very fun!) potluck. Our next dance will be on July 28th from 5:30 to 8:30 pm, and we expect to resume the yummy potlucks. Any questions? Contact Pat or Jay Burbank.

Dancing the night away



Downbeat providing the live musical entertainment



From Lawn Bowls: SPECTACULAR! That is the word to describe the June 26/27 Lawn Bowls tournament. Everything went perfectly. The visiting bowlers were extremely happy with our facility, the green itself, and the friendliness of everyone involved. We didn't have one complaint from anyone.

The games in the tournament flowed smoothly, the BBQ on Saturday night impressed beyond what the bowlers have experienced at other tournaments, and the winners of the

tournament went undefeated in their quest. We received a couple of last-minute donations that enabled us to up the prize money for first place to \$1200, (which turns out to be the highest prize ever given in Bowls USA)! In fact, they were so ecstatic with the event, that they have booked our green to use for an invitational SoCal Division vs NorCal Division charity event the weekend of August 7 & 8.

The lawns bowls club would like to thank all the Joslyn members and clubs for help and support we received including early Saturday morning set up. And my personal thanks to the lawn bowls club itself, without whose dedication and hard work this tournament would have never happened.

The mantra heard at the Cambria Lawn Bowls green this tournament was, "Bowls is the winner this weekend!" We all love our sport and strive to show it is fun, competitive, and friendly. We did just that....

Players in the June 26/27 Lawn Bowls Tournament



One of the LB Tourney winners in action; Anne Nunes of Newport Harbor LBC



From the Poker Club: Here's what's happening with JRC POKER CLUB: In-Person Poker Thursday evenings in the Conference Room at 6:15P to get your seat at the table. Two tables: \$5 or \$25 Buy-In tables, both games are "Dealer's Choice". Arrive at 6:15P for our monthly tournaments in the Main Hall. Next up is an Omaha-8 Tournament on Saturday July 17 for \$20 Buy-In with \$20 Re-Buys (for a limited time).

From the Mahjongg Club: Mahjongg has started and had between six and eight members show up to play. We welcome any members of the Joslyn who would like to learn how to play mah-jongg. Classes will be beginning soon. Let Peg know and we will start scheduling when there are enough interested people.

From the Investment Club: Our group is back meeting in person at the JRC, on the first and third Thursdays of the month. There is one opening in the Club (maximum 20 partners) for anyone interested in learning or improving their investment skills. Candidates can attend two meetings to evaluate joining us before applying.

Other brief updates:

- Lions will have club dinners on June 22 (done), July 13 and 27
- Chorale will start up again on August 3rd at 9:00

If you are interested in, or have questions about, any of the Joslyn clubs, there is more information available on the Joslyn web site (<u>http://joslynrec.org/descriptions.htm</u>) and Peg in the office can guide you to connect with club presidents as needed.

I hope you have been enjoying activities at the Joslyn Center again and want to hear if there are ways to make the experience better. Have a fun and safe 4th of July!

2021 President Mark K