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## SUMMER CLASSES/ PROGRAMS REGISTRATIONS

### **REGISTRATION DATES:**

**Senior Center Members:** 

Monday, April 8th - 9:00am

**Calabasas Residents:** 

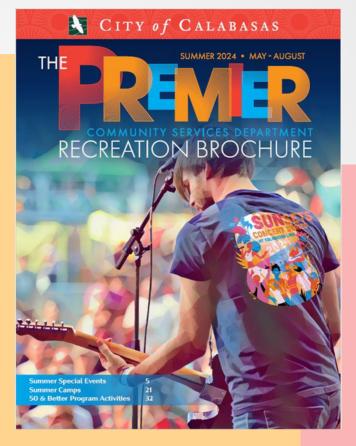
Friday, April 12th - 9:00am

**General Registration:** 

Wednesday, April 17th - 9:00am

## CALABASAS COMMUNITY CENTER REGISTRATION:

Wednesday, April 17th - 9:00am



\*NOTE: Membership at the Calabasas Senior Center <u>DOES NOT</u> give priority registration to the Calabasas Community Center. For priority registration at the Calabasas Community Center, you must be a member of that center.

THE SUMMER BROCHURE WILL BE AVAILABLE ONLINE EARLY NEXT WEEK.

CLICK HERE TO VIEW THE SUMMER 2024 BROCHURE

Registration can be done in-person at the Senior Center or online at www.cityofcalabasas.com/register

## FEATURE NEWS



Registration can be done in-person at the Senior Center or online at www.cityofcalabasas.com/register



Presenter: Foundation for Senior Services/Senior Specialist Group

Resident: \$3 Non-Resident: \$3.60 Tuesday, 4/16 2:00-3:30pm

Learn important facts about CPR and join a "Hands Only" Bystander CPR presentation. This is an interactive program with CPR manikins to actually practice the correct method to use when encountering someone with distress.







## UCLA BOOSTER BLOWOUT!!!

Presenter: Bonnie Shoemaker

Open to all participants who have previously completed the four-week course. Join in a fast-track review of the four-week course, and then be introduced to three new, viable techniques to enhance confidence and memory!



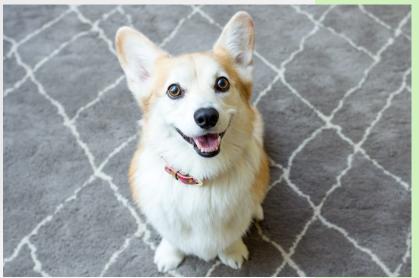
Thursday, 4/25 1:00 - 3:00pm Resident: \$20 Non-Resident: \$24



Registration can be done in-person at the Senior Center or online at www.cityofcalabasas.com/register







Everyone loves a heartwarming story of how someone's pet came into their life and what their pet means to them. Beginning next month, there will be a small "Pet Corner" in the newsletter during the summer months.

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Please send in photos and a story of your pet(s) to xosorio@cityofcalabasas.com for a chance to have your pet in the spotlight!

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## CLASSES THIS MONTH

- Acting for Fun
- Colored Pencils
- Conversational Spanish
- Country Line Dancing
- East Coast Swing
- Flicker
- "Fun"ctional Fitness
- Gentle Yoga
- Grief & Loss Discussion Group

- Hot Topics
- Italian for Travelers
- Intermediate & Advanced Watercolor
- Jazzercise
- Laws, Litigation & The Judicial Process
- Mixed Water Media
- Roundtable Discussion Group
- Senior Stretch, Strength & Sculpt
- Zumba

- Sports Fans' Forum
- Savvy Senior Fitness
- Savvy Senior Singers
- Tai Chi
- The Artistic Friendship of Edgar Degas and Mary Cassatt
- Therapeutic Yoga
- UCLA Booster Blowout!
- UCLA Memory Training Program
- Ukulele
- Urban Zen

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# LECTURES & ENTERTAINMENT

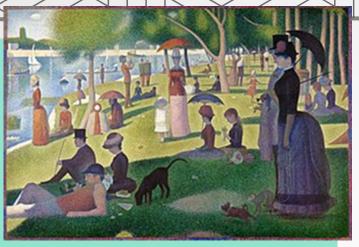
**4/16 -** CPR Saves Lives - Help Improve the Odds

**4/19** - Big Band Singer, Nancy Osborne



## WRITER'S CORNER: ARTICLES WRITTEN BY INNER WRITER PARTICIPANTS

SUNDAY ON LA GRANDE JATTE BY: CAROL KAPLAN



"Sunday on La Grande Jatte, a painting by Georges Seurat done in the pointillist technique, executed on a large canvas during 1884-1886. It is a founding work of the Neo-impressionist movement, and is the artist's most famous work." (Wikipedia).

I must have a lot of nerve writing about this masterpiece. It has been made the backdrop of a major musical Broadway play, SUNDAY IN THE PARK WITH GEORGE book by James Lapine, music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, 1983. More on this inspiring play later.

My favorite painting, has been a thrill to see at The Art Institute of Chicago since as long as I can remember. The size, nearly fills an entire wall, the color, and the story I imagine draws me in every time. Although the attire the people are wearing is from the late 1800s, I relate to them caught in a moment of time. The scene is a late spring or summer day, the weather is warm, the sun is shining in a park by the shore. The day is bright, sun is shining and areas are in the shade offered by large green leafy trees.

I look at all the people, there are many, yet the scene looks calm and serene. I admire all their costumes and day dream about being there. I'd take off my shoes and step into the water. Going back to my blanket, I would sit on a chair low to the ground, look around at everyone, make up my mind they are enjoying the moment, and then lean back and let my thoughts wonder. The cool refreshing breeze would soothe me and I would feel at peace.

Maybe one of the dogs would be friendly and the couple with him would encourage me to pet their four-legged companion. I might say hello to the little girl in the white dress and compliment her mother on her outfit. The dream ends and I view the painting as a gorgeous masterpiece of color and contentment. How this work of art warms my soul is one of the gifts I have appreciated.

When my son Paul went to Northwestern in Evanston, and when he stayed to work in Chicago after he graduated, I would go to see him and try to visit "my painting." I found out that when Michael came to see Paul, the two brothers went to the Art Institute to visit "Mom's painting,"

SUNDAY IN THE PARK WITH GEORGE, the highly acclaimed play opened in in New York starring Mandy Patinkin and Bernadette Peters. How wonderful it was that David, Michael and I saw it not long after it opened with the original cast.

The music, the lyrics, the story, and the set design felt so true to the artist and the painting. Even though it is a fictionalized version of the painter, the story in the first act seems so real: how does a committed artist who is immersed in his work balance his time well enough to give himself to love and compassion for his family? At the end of the first act, we have come to understand more about how the artist puts together all his thoughts and pieces to make his art, all the while seeing how fully engrossed he is in his painting with feeling and technique. As the act ends, the finished painting is revealed. We sat in awe.

The play then goes on to ask other questions about art: how should or can it change. Although the lyrics and the music continued to get to me, I found it difficult to be as connected as I was in the first act. I hope I'll have the opportunity to see the play again, and having lived and learned since my first experience with it, I trust I'll have more understanding of this great theatrical work of art.

# SAVVY SENIOR SNIPPETS BY: BILL DAVIS

Greetings to all of my Savvy Senior Friends,

Mark Rober is a YouTube superstar. He has numerous prankster videos that are extremely entertaining. He is also a Mechanical Engineer with a very impressive resume and was invited to give the 2023 Commencement Address at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. His advice to the graduating class is extremely inspiring, humorous and should be utilized by all.

I Gave the 2023 MIT Commencement Speech - 19 Minutes <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1UTjWy-vnOo">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1UTjWy-vnOo</a>

And just for fun, here is his famous squirrel video.

Backyard Squirrel Maze 1.0 - Ninja Warrior Course - 20 Minutes <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFZFjoX2cGg">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hFZFjoX2cGg</a>

Enjoy.

Bill Davis is a longtime resident of Calabasas and wannabee BBQ Pitmaster



## TECH HELP

Tech Help is one-on-one instruction provided by local high school students who are earning community service hours.



Drop in - No appointment needed Wednesdays, 4:00-7:45pm

<u>Improve your skills for:</u>

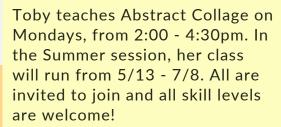
Laptops
Cell Phones
iPads/Tablets
Manage Apps
Manage Photos

Facebook Internet Uber Twitter & so much more!

## **INSTRUCTOR SPOTLIGHT:**

## TOBY SALKIN





Toby Salkin has been a collage artist for more than 30 years.

Toby was an artist for most of her life starting with oil paints.

After seeing collages by cubist artists like Picasso, she felt that it was time to try something new.

So, she gathered papers from old



newspapers, old books and then bought papers from some of her favorite art stores. She then decided to add gold, silver, copper and variegated leaf to her collage. Later, she added assemblage to her work collecting wooden letters, broken pieces of rulers, jewelry, and small metal objects.

Toby is a member of Women Painters West, Collage Association of America and a current member of Los Angeles Art Association, Gallery 825





## **EXCURSIONS**

BY: JACKIE HOFFMAN



Join the Savvy Seniors on an adventure that is sure to spark joy in your heart. Fillmore, CA. is the home of Otto & Sons annual "Rose Days." Travel through the beautiful green hills to celebrate the beauty of roses. This is the Klittich family's 31st year of sharing their incredible nursery with the public.

The day consists of timed walks through the growing grounds and display gardens led by members of the family as well as lectures introducing new roses and advice on rose care. A highlight will be a flower arranging demonstration by Gracie Poulson, owner of Grace Rose Farms, in Somis, CA.

Come hungry since our first stop will be a very popular new restaurant, R&Q Kitchen, located inside Fillmore's Chevrolet dealership, amid a collection of 1950's and 1960's vehicles on display.

Potted roses will be available for purchase at Ottos if a certain rose is calling your name.

THE ONLY COST FOR THIS WONDERFUL DAY IS THE TRANSPORTATION
ON OUR CALABASAS SHUTTLE AND BREAKFAST.

Saturday, April 20 8:00am - 4:30pm Resident: \$30 Non-Resident: \$36

CITY SHUTTLE DEPARTS FROM: CALABASAS SENIOR CENTER, 300 CIVIC CENTER WAY

Registration can be done online at www.cityofcalabasas.com/register or in-person at the Senior Center.







**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 

**Club Co-Chairs:** 

Cathie Mattson (818) 389-8420 Bobbie Miller (818) 634-0364

### **Advanced Table Tennis**

Wed & Fri 10:30am-12:30pm

Steve Beilinson ssbanker48@yahoo.com

### **Book Club A**

2nd Monday 1:30-3:00pm

Marcia Broderick mm16227@aol.com

### **Book Club B**

2nd Friday 9:00-11:00am

Pat Saranow patas91302@gmail.com

### **Bridge**

Thursdays 10:00am-12:00pm

Bruce Ross sirbruce@gmail.com

#### **Canasta**

Mondays 1:00-4:00pm

Harriet Zimring hlzimring@gmail.com

### **Caring Calabasas**

3rd Tuesday 3:30-5:00pm

Carol Davis ctdavis1@aol.com

#### Chess

Wednesdays 4:00-5:30pm

Bob Eisenhart bobeisen@att.net

### **Duplicate Bridge**

Fridays 11:00am-3:00pm

Steve Cooper stevecooper417@gmail.com

### **Hiking**

2nd & 4th Tuesday 7:30am

Sasan Sheibani ssheibani@msn.com

### **Lunch Club**

1st Wednesday 11:30am

Linda Meyrowitz meyrowitzlinda21@gmail.com

### **Mexican Train**

Every Thursday 1:00-3:30pm

Walter Kaufmann parawally@yahoo.com

### <u>Photography</u>

2nd Monday 3:00-5:00pm

David Hurwitz davidhurwitz@gmail.com

### Ping Pong

Wednesdays 2:00-4:30pm

Walter Kaufmann parawally@yahoo.com

### **Poker Club**

Tuesdays 1:00-4:00pm

Bob Gordon mauilite@gmail.com

#### RummiKub

Thursdays 3:00-5:00pm

Pat Saranow patas91302@gmail.com

#### **Scrabble Club**

Fridays 12:30-3:30pm

Mary Lou Smith mls57@att.net



### CLUB HIGHLIGHT: PHOTOGRAPHY

Have a passion for photography? Enjoy seeing the moments others capture? Contact David Hurwitz and join the Photography Club!

The club meets on the second Monday of each month, from 3:00-5:00pm.

### CARING CALABASAS CLUB NEWS BY: CAROL DAVIS





## <u>Card Preparation Day</u>

Over 28 Caring Calabasas Club participants happily embraced the new Card Preparation activity. The Club made over 135 sets of materials for the new "fractured" birthday card design that will be taught at the April 9th Card Making event from 2:00-4:00pm at the Senior Center. In addition, countless stars, hearts, balloons, and flowers were punched out and many Happy Birthday messages were stamped and embossed. Club members were so busy keeping up that they forgot to take pictures. (Next time the paparazzi will be there for sure.) About 9 participants were new to the club and many to the Senior Center. Thanks to all! Come on the 9th and bring friends!

### **Knitting**

The new video is up on the Calabasas Senior Center Website. Check it out!

The Club picked up a new donation of great yarn that someone posted on Facebook and have new advisors for knitting and crochet.

Come and bring a friend on April 4th! Have fun telling stories, knitting, and crocheting while doing good works.

The Club has finally almost used up the yarn that was collected two years ago. Please look through any unused yarn, and ask friends to do the same. The Club would appreciate all donations of unused yarn, to use for this project.





## CARING CALABASAS CLUB NEWS BY: CAROL DAVIS

### Fleece Blanket Tying

Caring Calabasas has 50 new blankets to tie on April 30th from 10:00am - 12:30pm! Come meet new friends and make blankets for My Stuff Bags Foundation, which supports at-risk children taken from their homes. Each child is given a bag of new "stuff" that includes a cuddly new blanket. Make a reservation to join on May 20th from 10:00am - 12:00pm to actually stuff the duffle bags at the My Stuff Bags headquarters in Westlake Village. It is heart-warming to see how the blankets are sent

all over the United States by this very organized, worthwhile charity. There is a limited number of reservations available, email CTDavis1@aol.com to save a spot.

## **Operation Gratitude**

Operation Gratitude always needs notes written to the service men and women. Please take one of our blank cards that are in the red, white and blue box on the shelf at the Senior Center and write a note while having a cup of coffee or waiting between classes.

### Children's Braille Book Initiative

Discussions have begun on the proposed project for the Foundation for the Junior Blind, which involves Club members peeling and sticking braille words on children's books. There are still a lot of details to iron out. One of the issues the club would love to accomplish is to



get the books donated from the publishers, to allay the cost that the Foundation is paying for the books. There are 500 board books of each title are needed. The club is looking for someone with a connection to a publisher or author who would provide the books as a donation. They must be a board book and appropriate for 3-5 year olds. The creation of the braille template, production of all the peel and stick labels, and packing and shipping of the books all over the country are paid for by the Foundation. Please contact Carol Davis with any ideas.

### CARING CALABASAS CLUB NEWS BY: CAROL DAVIS



## <u>Calendar for the Upcoming Months</u> IMPORTANT NOTE: Planning Meeting Dates Changed

Starting in April the regularly scheduled Caring Calabasas Planning Zoom meeting will be on the second Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30pm. Please change your calendars to reflect this new time each month. (Formerly it was on the third Tuesday).

The following events have been confirmed and scheduled for the upcoming months. Please adjust calendars to participate in all of the club's activities. Pop up events may also come up and will be sent via email or newsletter. The schedule for future events are:

### <u>April</u>

Thursday, April 4th

Knitting, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Tuesday, April 9th

Card Making, 2:00 - 4:30pm

Wednesday, April 10th

Zoom Planning Meeting, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Tuesday, April 30th

Fleece Blanket Tying, 10:00am - 12:30pm

### <u>May</u>

Wednesday, May 8th

Zoom Planning Meeting, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Thursday, May 9th

Knitting, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Monday, May 20th

My Stuff Bags Field Trip, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Tuesday, May 21st

Card Preparation, 2:00 - 4:30pm

### <u>June</u>

Friday, June 7th

Knitting, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Wednesday, June 12th

Zoom Planning, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Tuesday, June 18th

Card Making, 3:30 - 5:00pm

### July

Wednesday, July 10th

Zoom Planning, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Friday, July 12th

Knitting 10:00am - 12:00pm

Thursday, July 25th

Card Preparation, 2:00 - 4:30pm

### <u>August</u>

Tuesday, August 6th

Wednesday, August 14th

Tuesday, August 20th

Knitting, 10:00am - 12:00pm

Zoom Planning, 3:30 - 4:30pm

Card Making, 3:30 - 5:00pm

Don't hesitate to ask any questions and keep caring about each other.

BY: CAROL WASHBURN

## <u>Savvy Seniors</u> <u>Steering Committee Meeting</u>

Wednesday, April 3, 3:00 - 5:00pm Held at the Calabasas Senior Center

RSVP to Laura Weisshar at: Iweiss1@yahoo.com



## Parks, Rec, & Education Commission Meeting

Monday, April 8 6:00pm

Held in the City Council Chamber or CTV - Ch.3
Richard Sherman, the Calabasas Senior Center PRE Representative,
can be reached by email: drrichardsherman@gmail.com

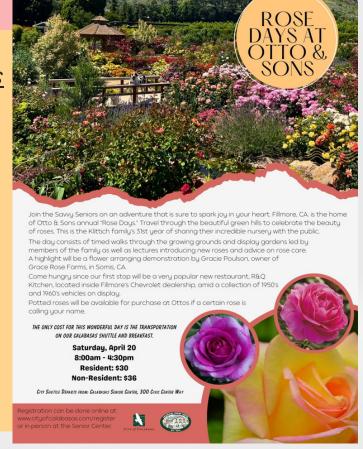
### Rose Days at Otto & Sons

Saturday, April 20 8:00am - 4:30pm

\$30 Resident \$36 Non-Resident

City Shuttle Departs from Calabasas Senior Center, 300 Civic Center Way

**CLICK HERE TO REGISTER** 



BY: CAROL WASHBURN

### Earth Day Festival



Saturday, April 13 2:00 - 5:00pm

## Experience the Golden Age of Hollywood

All-New Warner Bros, Studio Tour Hollywood TCM Classic Films Tour

As an attendee of the 2024 TCM Classic Film Festival, Warner Bros. Studio Tour Hollywood is offering you a \$15 savings on our all-new WB|TCM Classic Films Tour.

#### Dates/Times:

April 15th - 25th 11:30am, 12:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:00pm

### **Tour Duration:**

3 Hours (inclusive of Guided and Self-Guided)

#### The Offer:

\$80 (Regular Price of \$95)

Save \$15 off Classic Films Tour in Celebration of the 15th Anniversary of the TCM Classic Film Festival

#### Location:

3400 Warner Blvd., CA 91505





### BY: CAROL WASHBURN





<u>Spring has Sprung!</u> Tulip Mania is Here!

The Promenade at Descanso is bursting with color. If you love tulips, now's the time to plan a visit!

Descanso Gardens 1418 Descanso Drive La Canada Flintridge, CA Open 9:00am - 5:00pm

For more information, visit: descansogardens.org

### <u>King Gillette Ranch</u> <u>Visitor Center</u>

In the realm where the camera lens captures the essence of the natural world and the ceramist hands hold the very clay that embodies it, three distinct artists gather to create a collection of creativity celebrating the beauty inter-connectedness of our environment. A portion of the funds

Now - April 28th Wednesday - Sunday 9:00am - 4:00pm

from art sales will be used to support art

programs.



BY: CAROL WASHBURN



Tickets are on sale now! April 21 - May 18

### Come Visit the 59th Pasadena Showcase House of Design

The 2024 Pasadena Showcase House of Design boasts a significant historic background, several storied owners and even a prestigious designation. It was a Pasadena City Landmark. This stately English Tudor Revival Style home was once named "El Roble" by one of its prominent residents, a Spanish translation in honor of a stately oak tree that once graced its magnificent front lawn. In recent years it has been referred to as Potter Daniels Manor, honoring its original owner while also paying homage to its second but more famous owner's English heritage and inspiration.

## <u>Calabasas Regency Theatre</u> <u>April Shows & Starting Dates</u>

Ghost Busters: Frozen Empire | Godzilla X Kong | The First Omen

#### Admission:

Senior Matinee - \$12 (61 and better starting before 5pm)
Senior Evening - \$14 (61 and better starting at/after 5pm)
Military - \$13 (With valid ID)

\$8 TUESDAYS, ALL SEATS, ALL DAY

Visit: regencymovies.com or call: (818) 225 - 8020



## THANK YOU!

Treats donated by these local businesses.

Be sure to thank them!





\*A friendly reminder - please enjoy goodies in non-carpeted areas and always clean up when done! Staff appreciates your cooperation!

Thank you to our event partners, Michael Bloom and Livelle for their sponsorship on the upcoming Sock Hop!



