



Resident of the nth



Paul & Charlene Yust: Residents of the Month

Our Residents of the Month for November 2023, Paul and Charlene Yust. Paul and Charlene moved to Ponte Palmero about 6 years ago from Martinez, CA where they lived for over 60 years. They were the first to move into the subdivision in their brand new house.

Paul was a typesetter in the printing business and Charlene worked for the radiation department in Livermore as a secretary in the

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purchasing department. When their two kids came along, Charlene became a stay-at-home mom. They have a daughter who lives in Placerville and a son who lives in Woodland. They also have 4 granddaughters. We have seen their son, daughter and granddaughters visit here quite often.

Paul and Charlene had a vacation home in the Sly Park hills of Pollock Pines where they would visit on weekends and they still spend many family holidays at Sly Park Hills. They also BOTH love to fish in the Jenkinson Lake up there at Sly Park. They had planned to retire to their vacation home in Pollock, but then Health Issues made that difficult.

Paul and Charlene both came from families of pilots, so Paul, who has always loved airplanes, became a pilot first. One very special birthday present for Charlene was flying lessons and then Charlene worked hard and also became a pilot. The shared an airplane with a total of 3 partners. It was called a MOONEY and it was a 4 seater.

Paul had over 100+ hours of flying time on that airplane. They would fly all over California and of course to Placerville and Cameron Park to visit their weekend home in Pollock Pines. Their favorite place to fly was Sun River, Oregon. They have many memories of flying into that beautiful place.

When Paul was in the service, he was in the CA National Guard Band as a Clarinet Player. During the Cuban Missile Crises, Paul auditioned to be in the band and he felt fortunate to be picked over 37 other men who auditioned.

Paul and Charlene like being at Ponte Palmero because of all the wonderful people here. I agree!



A Salute to Veterans Day

Nov. 11 is Veterans Day, a day to honor the heroic men and women who have served our country. It's an important day to be sure, but do you know the origins of this meaningful holiday?

In 1918, World War I was informally ended with an armistice in the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month. One year later, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed the date Armistice Day to pay tribute to American veterans who had served in the war. In 1938, Congress declared Armistice Day a federal legal holiday.

Later on, World War II and the Korean War created millions more veterans to be honored. Since Armistice Day was associated with World War I, President Dwight Eisenhower signed legislation in 1954 changing the holiday's name to Veterans Day, a day dedicated to American veterans of all wars.

If Nov. 11 falls on a Saturday, federal government closings for Veterans Day will be on the Friday before. If it falls on a Sunday, closures will be the following Monday.

Wit & Wisdom: Giving Thanks

"We should just be thankful for being together. I think that's what they mean by Thanksgiving, Charlie Brown."

-Marcie, A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

"Showing gratitude is one of the simplest yet most powerful things humans can do for each other."
-Randy Pausch



"We must find the time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives."

-John F. Kennedy

more you practice the art

"The more you practice the art of thankfulness, the more you have to be thankful for."

-Norman Vincent Peale

"The thankful heart opens our eyes to a multitude of blessings that continually surround us."

-James E. Faust

"Thankfulness is measured by the number of words. Gratitude is measured by the nature of our actions."

-David O. McKay



- Barbara Kampe- Nov. 9
- Reggie Kittilsen- Nov. 9
- Rosie Dias- Nov. 11
- Bill Johnson- Nov. 11
- June Barton- Nov. 12
- Ovid Holmes- Nov. 16
- Maggie Matous- Nov. 21
- Carole Mitchell- Nov. 22
- Dorothy Carey- Nov. 23
- Patrick Marshall- Nov. 30



Birthday Boys and Girls

Hip ... hip ... hooray! Let's hear it for our birthday boys and girls. Each year is a new blessing and each day is another chance to experience the joys of life. Here's to another year of health and happiness! The entire staff sends a very special greeting to everyone celebrating a birthday this month.

Apple Hill

















Friday night fun







Pajama Day







Mismatch Day







Sports Day













Fall wreath craft









Miraflores Winery











Roberta Ostby: Featured Artist of the Month









Jeanette Currie celebrates her 100TH BIRTHDAY!









Chair Exercises



Fall prevention with Empower Me Wellness



Mexican Train



Peter Schroeder on guitar



Jobs

Gary Cramer

In 1955, I graduated from Alden High School in Kansas. It was a class of 10 students: 4 girls and 6 boys. All the boys except Howard planned to join The Marine Corps right after graduation. Howard got married instead. The Marines wouldn't take me.

So, I headed for Tulsa, OK to attend Tulsa Technical College. I studied radio and TV repair. I shared an apartment with three other boys. Only me and one of the other boys, Bill, could cook and clean the house. Bill was a student Baptist preacher. The church would send him out to churches that did not have a

preacher that Sunday. Bill was from a town in N/W Arkansas. His assignments were in the Southwest corner Missouri or around his hometown. I would usually accompany him. He would have me sing a solo during the church service.

One of the other subjects taught at Tulsa Tech was modeling. I was elected to the student council, and that's about all I remember about Tulsa Tech.

I got a job with Star Electric, a shipping and receiving clerk. There were three of us, and the boss would come into the warehouse and look at the three of us and say to me, "You're not doing anything, here, fill this order." (CONT. NEXT PAGE)

That could be all sorts of electrical equipment, including conduit switches, fuses, etc.

I learned how to drink coffee so I'd be doing something.

Another job I got was as the door man for The Orpheum Theater. That's the ticket taker. The only one between the front door and your seat. Every Saturday night, this couple, Chris and Gail Lane, would come in and stand there and talk to me. Chris had a show at the Channel 6 TV Studio called "Party Lane with Chris" patterned after The American Bandstand with Dick Clark, where teenagers would come into dance. One night, Chris said, "You know, I don't think that the doorman job is in any way associated with what you are taking at Tulsa Tech." He asked me to stop by the Channel 6 studio and let him introduce me to the station manager. When I got there, he took me in and said to the manager, "I'd like to introduce you to a good friend of mine. He is interested in that cameraman job you have open on weekends."

He hired me, and they took me out into the studio to get acquainted with the equipment I would be using. The first thing was to learn the boom mike. It had three controls: your forearm controls the height of the mike, your hand on the arm controls the directions that the mike faces, and your right hand rotated a circular control to extend the mike in and out

8 to 10 feet. The whole thing was on wheels. I had just gotten up on it when the director called out, "Get that boom mike down to the other end. There's a politician that wants to talk." They wheeled me down there and I started fumbling around with it. I had run the mike way out of reach of their voices and almost hit his wife with it. The time I got control of it, they were saying goodbye. The director was laughing his head off. He said, "If that guy gets elected, he can thank you. His wife had nothing worthwhile to say and nobody heard it." The most exciting part of my job was the Saturday Night Wrestling and the Tulsa Church telecast. I had to set up my camera on the balcony of the church. The other part of the job was in the studio. I helped set up commercials, one was for furniture. One leg of the table was 4 inches off the floor, but on TV it looked great. I also had to dip up ice cream into dishes, timed so it didn't melt too soon. Then, I got to eat it afterwards.

Chris would have guest singers in frequently. One of them was a student at Rogers High School in Tulsa, Anita Bryant. She would just hang with me while the others were dancing. Then, someone asked her for her autograph. After she signed, she came over and cried on my shoulder. She was thrilled because she felt she was on her way up.

And she was: Miss America, top of the charts for, "I Never Promised you a Rose Garden" and others. As interesting as my jobs were, they were just weekend jobs. I could never get a full-time job if I had a 1A draft status. So, I tried the Marines again. This time, they sent me to San Diego. After a couple of weeks in the Marines, the DI noticed I was limping as I marched. He sent me off to sick bay to have it checked. As luck would have it, the only member of the medical staff available was a podiatrist. He took one look at my foot and leg and asked, "How did you get into the Marine Corps? I think we will send you home!" So, they gave me airfare back to Kansas.

On the way home, I stopped in LA to visit mom's cousin, Ruby. She wanted to know what I was going to do now that I was out. I told her I was going back to Kansas and try to work my way through college. She asked what college cost back then; I told her Hutchison Junior College was \$600 a semester. She laughed and said Junior College in California was free. I never went home.

I got a job with Hughes Aircraft Company. I bought a house in Lakewood when I started junior college in Long Beach for \$8,000. Sold it for \$12,000 when I was ready to move up to Berkeley. Got my BSEE from Cal and an engineer position with LADWP and now I'm retired.

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Ponté Palmero Resort-Style Living

"This Month In History"

NOVEMBER

1876: Yale defeats Princeton in the first college football game played on Thanksgiving.

1935: Departing from San Francisco, the China Clipper seaplane carries over 110,000 pieces of mail across the Pacific Ocean, arriving in the Philippines seven days later. The completion of the voyage marked the beginning of trans-Pacific airmail service and travel.

1945: The super-strong, spunky girl with the mismatched socks is introduced to readers when

Astrid Lindgren's book "Pippi Longstocking" is published in Sweden.

1963: Priced at \$15.95, the Easy-Bake Oven debuts in toy stores. Half a million of the mini appliances were sold during the first year.

1982: The first Honda Accord rolls off the assembly line in Marysville, Ohio, making Honda the first Asian automaker to manufacture cars in the U.S.

1993: A football record is set when the Miami Dolphins defeat the Philadelphia Eagles, crowning head coach Don Shula the winningest coach in NFL history.

2005: Angela Merkel is sworn in as the first female chancellor of Germany.

2019: The iconic black leather outfit worn by Olivia Newton-John in the 1978 film "Grease" is auctioned off for \$405,700, with 100% of the proceeds donated to the actress' cancer research organization.

