

VOLUNTEERSPOTLIGHT



Pauline Eline

Pauline was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and moved with her husband to South Jersey to find a home close to the water. Before Pauline retired, she worked at a nursing home handling the funds family members gave to care for their loved one's needs. After her husband passed away nine years ago, she moved to Costa Mesa to live with her daughter, Jodi. Her son, Todd, his wife, and two daughters live in nearby Orange. On Sunday's they all enjoy having brunch together. Most weekends she spends watching her granddaughters play soccer, shopping, and having dinners out on the town. In her spare time she enjoys making cross-stitch patterns which are displayed all around her house, as well as playing poker at the center on Friday's, a day trip to the casino, reading a good book from the library, and enjoying her season tickets at the Segerstrom Center with her daughter. Pauline recently became part of the volunteer program at the center and is an active participant. An interesting bit of information about Pauline is that she is a very caring person who puts others' needs before her own. She is consistently willing to help those in need.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Dale Hopper

Dale was born in 1952 in Los Angeles, California where he grew up as 1 of six children. He moved all around Southern California throughout his childhood. When he was in junior high school he became fond of machines and loved to learn how they worked. This love for machinery turned into a career he loved. Dale worked for General Dynamics in the sub nuclear division as a manufacturing engineer. This gave him the opportunity to not only do what he loved, but travel around the country. During this time, he was living in Connecticut and traveled to Chicago, and many other states on business. Living out of a suitcase and constantly traveling was difficult, so he came back to California, Costa Mesa to be specific, to take over his mentor's machine shop. Dale is fairly new to our center, but when he is here he spends his day playing pool and visiting with friends, attending bingo, bunco, the autobiography class, and pinochle. Dale has 2 children who live in Las Vegas who he loves dearly and communicates with often. He is a natural learner, and his fascinated by learning new skills. A fun fact about Dale is that he was able to help teach 19 different people why it is important to vote.

EXTRA! EXTRA! *Read all about the coming Membership Cards!*

Beginning January, all patrons visiting the center will be asked to check in and out. Members may not be allowed to participate in an activity if members do not check in at the front desk upon entering the facility.

Safety is a priority at the Costa Mesa Senior Center. In an effort to become more efficient in our safety practices, we will be implementing a new check-in/out procedure that includes scanning your membership card at the front desk. Membership cards will be issued, soon, and updated information will be shared as this process begins. Staff may be contacting you to verify information and renew your membership, which will continue to be free of charge. Please be patient as we work to ensure the safety of our program participants.

We sincerely thank you for your cooperation as we begin this transition.

Mission: "Enriching lives and communities through health, wellness, volunteerism, and socialization."

Vision: "The Costa Mesa Senior Center is dedicated to the improvement of the lives of older adults by creating a place that offers opportunity to become more educated about health and wellness, share skills and talents with peers, interact and develop communication with friends, family, and others, and be advocates for older adults."