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NEW COVINGTON EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ANNOUNCES MAJOR GIFT

Residents at The Covington welcomed Josh Johnson as their new Executive Director in February 2007. Johnson's prior career in senior health services was spent in the for-profit arena. He is a ready convert to the non-profit field. "The obvious difference in non-profit retirement communities compared to for-profit is that there is much more staffing, many more services and a better attitude, because it is mission-driven," said Johnson. "It is refreshing to work where service and mission are important, and where the residents are most important."



Despite his conversion to the California lifestyle, which includes some serious tennis playing, Josh says, "I still consider myself a Hoosier."

Though Johnson was born in Pasadena's Huntington Memorial Hospital, his formative years were spent in Indiana. He majored in health administration and psychology at Indiana University. Following successful completion of an Administrator in Training program, stints in Indiana, Minnesota and Sacramento preceded his settling in Southern California. He lives ten minutes from The Covington in Dana Point, with wife Lea and sons Esteban, 4, and Lucas, 1.

Josh Johnson was pleased to make a stunning announcement at a reception held on September 8th, in the Great Hall, to commemorate and thank more

than 100 generous resident donors, who have made gifts to The Covington in its first three years.

The David and Margaret Schumacher Concert Series was unveiled, representing a gift from Margaret Schumacher to endow a concert series in memory of her late husband. She also announced that she has committed to make a major legacy gift to The Covington. When Mrs. Schumacher presented a "pledge check" in the amount of \$1,500,000, President and CEO Martha Tamburrano read a resolution from the Board, renaming The Covington's Great Hall as Schumacher Hall.

Margaret Schumacher cited The Covington as a "five-star, five-diamond" community, and expressed gratitude for the care and services received by her family, including her late husband, her father, resident John Dilkes, and herself. This major gift to The Covington continues a great tradition of giving by many residents, whose gifts to the community will be used to enhance the lives of the residents.



The naming of Schumacher Hall was a surprise announcement at a donor recognition party on September 8th. Margaret Schumacher pictured.



SCRIPPS KENSINGTON MERGER PROGRESSES ON ACTIVE ALHAMBRA CAMPUS

Scripps Kensington has bustled with activity all year. With the merger, more than 100 residents moved from Scripps' Altadena location. They now are ensconced in updated accommodations and assimilating into an expanded group of friends.

At Scripps Kensington, the transition included major renovations from one end of the 12-acre campus to the other. The oldest building on the campus, dating to 1923, now is the Johnson Community Center, with its theatre, great room, fitness room, wood-working shop and activities/crafts room. The Cummings Care Center is experiencing an "extreme makeover," with every room being totally revamped and refitted and all hallways and common areas being redecorated. Remarkably, this makeover is taking place while the Care Center is full.



**Maureen Beith,
Scripps Kensington**

Directing the operations at Scripps Kensington is Maureen Beith, who assumed the Executive Director position in June. Affectionately known as "Mo," Ms. Beith previously served as the Administrator for independent and assisted living at The Scripps Home. A Scripps staff member since 1998, she is pleased overall with the transition of the past months. She said, "I deeply appreciate the welcome Scripps residents have received and the tremendous resiliency they have shown as they assimilate into their new home. My hope is that Johnson Center becomes the hub of the campus, where physical wellness, intellectual well-being and social exchange occur. I'm also excited about the new Cummings Care Center living room we're creating. I am pleased that we have the opportunity to create a warm and welcoming environment for the residents and their families."

Maureen lives in La Crescenta with her husband Rusty, a sound effects engineer in the film business, and her two children, daughter Annsley, 17, and son Taylor, 14. She is a graduate of Cal State Fresno and is entering a Masters program in gerontology at University of LaVerne. Prior to joining Scripps, she worked for 15 years in rehabilitation at Huntington Hospital in Pasadena.



Scripps Kensington residents at work and play in the new Johnson Community Center, left to right: Leo Meguro, Robert Manley, Jeanne Guernsey, William Zinne and Harvey Olinger, Florence Sanders.



THE CANTERBURY READIES FOR 25TH YEAR WITH CAMPUS IMPROVEMENTS

As The Canterbury prepares for its 25th Anniversary next year, renovations are underway to update the “The Best Senior Care/Retirement Community” in the South Bay as the region’s premier boutique community. The accent is on the feeling of family and genuine community affection that makes The Canterbury so popular with its residents.

Certainly Consuelo Haire and her exceptional staff have influenced the success of the campus. Canterbury residents universally proclaim that they are so fortunate to have chosen the best place to live. Mary Williams, a resident of Palos Verdes Peninsula since the early 1960s, has lived for the past 10 years at The Canterbury. “Why, it’s always been the right choice,” said Mrs. Williams. “It has everything I need, and so many amenities.”

In its third year of reign as the best retirement community in the South Bay, The Canterbury is undergoing a multi-year, multi-million dollar renovation to update its interior halls and common areas, as well as its exterior, for the 21st century. From the “Living Room” with

its expansive view, to the main hall entry, no detail will be overlooked by the design team. E Designs, a local design firm, is leading the interior updating efforts. The team began by refurbishing and furnishing a model unit to show to prospective residents. That unit was so successful that it sold, as is, fully furnished,

to a new resident. With that unit no longer available, E Design took on a two-bedroom unit, which is the new model. A local architect and local landscaper also are engaged in the campus renovation project.

Consuelo Haire describes the redecorating and repositioning with enthusiasm for the new “look” being created. The interior work includes murals of the iconic views enjoyed by residents of the Palos Verdes Peninsula. “Our design team is capitalizing on the image of The Canterbury on the Peninsula. When we are finished, The Canterbury will reflect the environment of beautiful landscapes and seascapes that has always been near and dear to our residents, many of whom have lived on this uniquely lovely Peninsula for many years.”



A mural in progress by E Designs, the decorating firm that is bringing the familiar vistas of the Palos Verdes Peninsula inside, throughout The Canterbury.



Residence kitchens at The Canterbury are being renovated as lavishly as they are seen in high-end homes.



A SUMMER SOLSTICE

JUNE GALA ENTERTAINS 325

June 21st, the longest day of 2007, marked the occasion of the fifth Annual Gala at Scripps Kensington, A Summer Solstice with Caribbean flavor, colorful garb and festive atmosphere.

Three hundred and twenty-five party-goers included residents from all three Communities, Board members, family, friends and employees.



Left to right, Scripps Kensington Board Vice Chair John Tucker, former Board Chair Larry Day, current Board Chair Elsie Sadler, and incoming Board member Ron Apel, who was President of the Scripps Home Board its last two years.



Alhambra Mayor Gary Yamauchi presented CEO Marty Tamburrano with a citation in honor of the Scripps Kensington merger. Alhambra City Council Member Stephen Sham is on right.



More than 60 Scripps Kensington residents attended, including Kathy Ostlund and LaDonna Pyle.



Morrison's provided its signature sumptuous food stations, with such gourmet treats as a rowboat full of steamed shrimp, blackened cod, Bahama Mama chicken wings, frozen drinks, and Bananas Foster.

Steel drums entertained under the trees outside, while residents, employees, friends and family danced to a DJ's songs inside Bloy Center. From salsa to Conga lines, the dance floor was full non-stop, with residents, dance escorts and friends joining in.

Fire dancers capped off the Summer Solstice evening, which raised more than \$100,000 for programs at all three communities.





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