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Some Pacifica Trivia

Appalling as the idea of another election may be, after the deluge of junk (and I do mean junk) mail and junk TV, we will be having another election come November. What's more, we will be electing three members of the City Council, who will either continue the policies of the Friends of Pacifica, or, perhaps, demonstrate a backlash against them. But that's another column.

Let's have a little quiz, to find out what you know of the Pacifica of the past. Give yourself one point for each correct answer. 47 is a perfect score. 40 or more and you may be in line for Pacifica City Historian. 24 is quite respectable.

(1 through 27) Name the 27 men and women who have served on the Pacifica City Council.

(28) Of those 27, how many were lawyers? (29 through 36) Name the eight Pacifica City Managers. (37 through 40) Name Pacifica's four Chiefs of Police since incorporation.

Pacifica has had number of disasters. Name the month and the year of (41) the great oil spill that killed so many birds (42) the Pacifica flood that brought the Tribune a major statewide award for quality of coverage (43) the Flood-Mudslide disaster that made national headlines. (44) the time Santa Claus wound up in the ocean when he intended to parachute into Eureka Square shopping Center. (45) How many post offices were merged to become the Pacifica post office? Can you name them? (46) What year did the pier open for fishing? (47) What fraction of Pacifica is devoted to city, county, state and federal parks?

ANSWERS:

(1 through 27) Jean Fassler (first mayor), Harold Feyge (second mayor), Jerry Schumacher (third mayor), George Mason (fourth mayor), Don Miller, Harland Minshew, Fred Ballew, Grace McCarthy, Jimmy Fox, Don McMannis, Nick Gust, Rick Wallis, Dan Modena, Stan Farber, Aubrey Lumley, Don Halverson, Janice Fulford, Sid Lorvan, Mark Savage, Ellie McGuire Clark, Fred Howard, Ginny Jaquith, Peter Murray, Jeannette Warden, Peter Loeb, Charles D.B. Curry, and Jon Galehouse.

(28) Modena, Lorvan and our present mayor, Chuck Curry. (29 through 36) Karl Baldwin, Bill Masonheimer, Jim Swayne, Dave Thompson, Don Weidner, Al St. Cyr, Dave Finigan and the current incumbent, Dan Pincetich.

(37 through 40) Neil Tremaine, Mel Nelson, Tony Guardino and Al Olson (now our first Director of Public Safety). (41) January, 1971. (42) October, 1962. (43) January, 1982. (44) December, 1962. Santa was saved by a surfer. (45) Three. Pedro Valley, Rockaway Beach and Sharp Park. (46) It was in December 1973 that we celebrated the opening of this pragmatic combination of fishing pier and water disposal device. It has been a great success. (47) more than one-fourth. Besides our state beach, San Pedro Valley County Park, Sharp Park Golf Course (city and county of San Francisco) and our city parks, one-eighth of Pacifica is within the boundaries of a national park, the GGNRA.