



Photography by Jerry Bryan



to capture their lifestyle and understand their priorities. The living room offers a dramatic view of the gardens with an abundance of mature palms and a fountain designed by Don Richen. Gracing the pool entry is a lovely tile painting from the Mediterranean, a remembrance from the Madison Avenue boutique.

The home is ideal for entertaining — anything from an intimate dinner party to a large reception. Although our photographer, Jerry Bryan, and I visited this exquisite estate in September, we could almost see the holiday parties — past and yet to come. **nc**
Editor's note: Our hosts wish to be freer to come and go as they please. As such, they've decided to move away, their home is for sale. For details, please call Wendy Tait at 619/756-3795. Special thanks to Roni Telmosse for all of her help. We enjoy looking into all the suggestions for NC Focus and encourage your submissions for future NC Focus subjects — call 619/945-3186.

The Inn



Rancho Santa Fe is one of the most sensational spots within north San Diego County. Tucked away in this unforgettable location, is The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe.

The history of The Inn is fascinating. Juan Maria Osuna was elected Mayor of the Pueblo of San Diego in the first election under Mexican law. Osuna, a former soldier of fortune, had always coveted a certain piece of land north of San Diego. In 1845, Pio Pico, the last Mexican governor of California, granted the two square leagues of land (8,825 acres) to Osuna. He named it Rancho San Dieguito.

Approximately sixty years later, the Santa Fe Railway acquired the Ranch and planted 4,000 acres with 3,000,000 eucalyptus tree seedlings as future wood for railroad ties. However, the eucalyptus wood could not hold railroad spikes. Today eucalyptus still dominates the landscape.

In 1924, Lillian Rice, one of the first woman architects in California, designed La Morada, the original name of The Inn. Consisting of a main building with twelve guest rooms and a small dining room, it was primarily used as guest quarters for prospective land buyers.

George Richardson purchased the property in 1941. He transformed it into a small, elegant resort where guests from all over the country could enjoy beautiful surroundings. The additions included the library, guest cottages, and the gardens and walkways. The name was changed to The Inn at Rancho Santa Fe.

In 1958, Steve Royce, a former pitcher with the New York Giants who became an attorney and hotelier, bought The Inn.

A Great Escape

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Previously, Mr. Royce had owned and operated the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, the Huntington in Pasadena and was Managing Director of the Hotel Coronado and Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

The Inn is still owned and managed by the Royce family. Duncan Royce Hadden continues the family's tradition as innkeeper. Duncan was born in Pasadena and lived at the Huntington Ritz Carlton until the age of 10 when he moved to The Inn.

After attending the University of Puget Sound in Washington and earning degrees in both Business Administration and Spanish, Mr. Hadden returned to work at the The Inn. Three years later, he left to work in Colorado, where he met his wife. In 1980, they returned. In 1991, he took over management of The Inn.

Mr. Hadden lives at The Inn with his wife and two sons, ages 10 and 6. It's only a short walk across the grounds to his office. While many come for a great escape, he enjoys it every day. **nc**

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Orthodontics... What Age?

by Dr. Ronald M. Roncone

Amazing advances in technology have brought the profession of Orthodontics (braces) to a new age. No longer is treatment limited to teenagers but is available to adults of all ages and to children very early in their life. It is the early treatment stage that I would like to discuss.

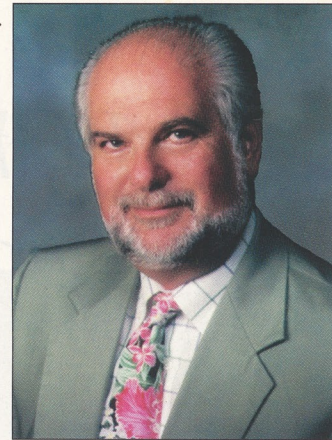
For many years orthodontists waited until all the permanent teeth were in to begin treatment of children. Many disadvantages were evident with this waiting, however. In many cases permanent teeth needed to be removed in order to gain enough room to align the teeth properly. Because of this, facial profiles often became less attractive. Faces can become "flat" in appearance; smiles can show too much gum tissue; lips can become pencil

thin rather than full and attractive; noses can look larger than they really are, etc.

As orthodontists we have always had the option of treating early. However, long term advantages were minimal. Our treatment basically amounted to holding or maintaining space. If the jaws were too small there still was not enough room for all the permanent teeth!

For the past 8 or 9 years our practice has used early two-phase treatment to not only hold space but to gain space. This has been accomplished through various types of "expanders" as well as braces. When used properly these devices will:

1. Make enough room so that permanent teeth do not need to be removed.
2. Ensure that the patient develops the most pleasing face possible.



3. Assist the orthodontist in creating a beautiful natural smile.

4. Eliminate the use of headgear.

5. Eliminate the use of large retainer type devices which pull the lower jaw forward and are uncomfortable to wear.

The goal of early active treatment is mainly orthopaedic. That is, we concentrate on the proper development of the upper and lower jaws.

The tooth straightening portion of orthodontic treatment has also been revolutionized. Space age wires (titanium) allow us to treat in fewer visits with less interruption of school and work schedules and with very little discomfort for the patient. Add to this our routine use of clear, non-staining ceramic braces (metal are also available)... it is easy to see what a wonderful investment early orthodontic treatment is.

I usually recommend that children be seen for the first time at four or five years of age to check facial development, although in most instances treatment does not begin until the patient is six or seven years old.

Dr. Ronald Roncone has a solo practice with offices in Vista and Fallbrook. A dynamic lecturer, he's the most sought after orthodontic speaker in the world.

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