

# She Turns Down Date at 102!

Clara Solomon may be 102 but she still attracts the guys. She recently turned down a date from an 80-something gentleman who was charmed by her wit and personality.

"I thought about going out on a date with him but decided it was too much work to get ready at my age," said Solomon. "We're just friends and I want to keep it that way."

Clara volunteers her services at the San Carlos Elms retirement community in San Carlos, CA along with her good friend George Sigler, 95. Both are artists and paint once a week at the community to entertain the residents.

Painting is part hobby and part business for Clara. She's completed over 300 oil paintings and sold one for \$1,000.00. A self taught artist, she's been painting since "high chair."

Besides being an accomplished painter, she plays the piano for residents at San Carlos Elms and the San Carlos Senior Center.

"I had a mini stroke a few weeks ago because I was moving too fast," said Solmon. "So I'm learning to slow down a little."

Like Clara, George Sigler volunteers his time at the retirement community as a "way to give back." His wife of 63 years lived at The Elms for two years before passing away.



Clara Solomon, mascot "Curley" and George Sigler, 95, displaying their favorite paintings. Curley was painted by George.

"I keep coming back because of my wife's memories and the residents," said Sielger. "She loved this place and the people." A retired salesman, Siegler has completed over 500 watercolor paintings. Most sell up to \$200.00.

"I paint because the residents like to watch. It's good therapy for them and for me," he said. "I love to paint."

He recently completed a painting of Curley, The Elms' mascot dog who roams the hallways like he owns the place—which he does. Curley's painting hangs in the office of June Wider, marketing director of The Elms.

"San Carlos Elms is proud of our popular and active volunteer program and the support they provide our residents," said Scott Evans, Executive Director. "They're enriching the residents lives with the talents they bring into our community and creating great memories for our residents, families, staff and friends."

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