## QUAIL VALLEY

ONCE AN EXCLUSIVE COUNTRY CLUB RESORT

IN 1891 MR. CHARLES L. COOPER PURCHASED 300 ACRES TO BE USED AS A GAME PRESERVE FOR HUNTING QUAIL, DOVE AND RABBIT. IN 1910 THE PROPERTY WAS COMBINED WITH LAND OWNED BY THE FARMER'S AND MERCHANT'S BANK TO FORM NEARLY 3,000 ACRES OF PRIME HUNTING GROUNDS.

IN THE 1920'S MOST OF THE LAND WAS SOLD TO INVESTORS WHO BEGAN DEVELOPING A PROJECT THEY CALLED "LAKE ELSINORE LODGE" THAT INCLUDED A CLUB HOUSE, TENNIS COURTS AND EQUESTRIAN STABLES AS WELL AS A LARGE SWIMMING POOL "THE PLUNGE".



IN THE 1940'S MR. COOPER'S SON CHARLES E. COOPER CHANGED THE NAME TO QUAIL VALLEY COUNTRY CLUB TO HONOR HIS FATHER. HE FENCED THE PROPERTY, ADDED A GUARD GATE FRONT ENTRANCE AND ORGANIZED PARADES AND EVENTS FOR RESIDENTS AND GUESTS OF THE RESORT COMMUNITY.



THE COMMUNITY HAD A RESTAURANT, A SMALL STORE AND GAS STATION.

PLANS FOR AN 18-HOLE GOLF COURSE AND 80-ACRE LAKE WERE SHORT LIVED, AND BY 1970 THE COUNTRY CLUB AND ITS AMENITIES WERE NO LONGER IN USE.

TODAY'S RESIDENTS OF THE QUAIL VALLEY COMMUNITY OF MENIFEE CAN TAKE PRIDE KNOWING THAT THEIR NEIGHBORHOOD WAS THE ORIGINAL EXCLUSIVE, PRIVATE RESORT IN THE MENIFEE VALLEY.