Mailbox Station
30 Years of Taking Care of Business

Remember the words to the Cheers theme song? “Where everybody knows your name…” Well, Encinitas has its own version of Cheers, and it may not be what you think. It’s not a bar—it’s a Mailbox Station.

In 1985, Art and Agnes Arquilla opened up Mailbox Station; a business that offers full postal services, such as mailbox rentals (500 and counting), domestic and international mail forwarding, shipping with UPS, FedEx, USPS; packing, stamps, business cards, rubber stamps, greeting cards, copies, fax, and notary service—all with the friendliest and best service one could ever ask for. Art and Agnes probably know more people in Encinitas than anybody, and somehow, they know everybody on a first-name basis.

Mailbox Station is truly a “Mom and Pop” business, even the Arquilla kids (Mallory and Max) have worked at the shop. After graduating from SDSU and USD, Art and Agnes found Encinitas and were immediately taken, so the decision was made to set up shop. While driving around thinking of business ideas, Art literally saw his future, “I like working with people,” smiled Art. “I wanted a business that would last a long time, serve the community, and, of course, allow us to stay right here in Encinitas!”

As the world becomes more digital every day, you may wonder what the future holds for Mailbox Station. “Mail forwarding is growing,” said Art. “We have a street address, not PO Box, and can receive packages from any courier. We can forward your mail and packages all over the country and the world. Encinitas can be your permanent address!”

With a loyal and now multi-generational customer base, Mailbox Station is always a hub of activity. At any given time, you’re more than likely to run into a friend or neighbor having their shipping or business needs met by Art, Agnes, or the always smiling, Betsy O’Neil.

If it weren’t for Mailbox Station, business in this town would be a lot slower. It’s good to know that you can always walk into Mailbox Station, receive a warm greeting, and feel assured that your business will be well taken care of.