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Hundreds of Huntington Harbour residents enjoyed the Fourth of July parade down Main Street, there were so many floats this year and thousands of people watching. It lasted well over two hours and will be competing with the Rose Parade before we know it!

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FINS

by Barbara Devlin & Pearl Holmes

FINS installation for 2018-2019 was held at Kings Fish House Restaurant at Bella terra in May. The officers for the next year are President, Loretta Maiorana, Vice-President, Barbara Devlin, Treasurer, Rita Collins, Newsletter, Mary Johnston, Secretary Maggie Flavia, and Betty McCarthy, Membership, Marge Mitchell and Parliamentarian, Doreen Hill. Members enjoyed a wonderful San Dabs Luncheon.

UNO was held at the home of Barbara Devlin where members enjoyed a dessert of Maine Blueberry Gingerbread with either vanilla ice cream or whipped cream. Winner of the day with the lowest score was Gloria Sliney with Evelyn Bishop with the highest scorer.

Maggie Flavia was the hostess for Mexican Dominos in June. Members enjoying the game were Mary Johnston, Barbara Devlin, Maggie Flavia and winner of the low score Marge Mitchell.

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Huntington Harbour Yacht Club

by Paul DeGraw



Well folks we are well into summer and most of HHYC's planned cruises are already off our stern. These cruises are a monthly occurrence that are enjoyed by our boaters. The most recent cruise was to San Pedro and included a tour of one of the LAFD fire boats. These are impressive pieces of machinery.

The sailing school started at the end of June and is off to a great start. We have

added many new boats to the program. Including Bic's, Opti's, and Cubes. Our coach boats were repowered with the help of a special deal arranged by Sunset inflatables. The kids are excited, and it is quite a sight to see them racing around. Thursday nights burger bash is the day to come out and watch them.

There was an Open house and Boat show at HHYC in June. We had

live music, about a dozen vendors offering various items for the boater and landlubber. The Open house was a huge success for HHYC. Through the efforts of the organizers and volunteers we added over 40 people to our boating and social family. Membership at HHYC offers many benefits. The most important one being the chance to meet new people sharing a common interest, and often times forging lifelong friendships on and off the water.

July 4th was another great day at the club about 20 Duffy's participated in our annual scavenger hunt. It is amazing how many different clues our creative organizers can come up with year after year to keep the competition challenging.

Looking forward to the fall, we will be participating in the Sunset Beach Chili Cook Off in September and cruising out to watch the Huntington Beach airshow in October.

HHYC offers Sunday Brunch from 10:00 to 1:00. Why not come down and see what we have to offer?

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Sea Belles of the HHYC

by Ship's Hailer Lara Anderson



Members enjoying the Grand Luau.



Dancers at the Gran Luau put on a wonderful show.

We had a fabulous turn out for the Grand Luau on June 23rd. Nearly 100 people came to share the aloha spirit (and a few spirits in drink form.)

We're still loving summer until our monthly meetings resume in September and we're having a Sock Hop! Get out your Poodle skirts and Saddle oxfords,

roll up a pair of baggy jeans and get ready to rock the night away with a classic 1950's Sock Hop.

The Tropic Starr Band is going to take over the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club and transport you back to the soda shop, shooby-doo-wop days of yesteryear. We will have rockin' food and

beverages (better than you had at your school dances guaranteed!) Make a date for Friday, August 24 at the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club, 6:00 p.m. Cocktail hour with dinner and dancing starting at 7:00. For more information, visit our website at www.HHYC.org.

California Taxing Docks & Other Items

by Frank Singer



This month I have 2 ½ items I want to gripe about. Yes, I am expanding the "STOP" message

In my last communique I wrote about Plan "C" which is to have the main and mid channels of Huntington Harbour annexed by Huntington Beach from the State which our State Senator Janet Nguyen has been working on along with our Mayor Mike Posey (please support both of these good individuals). I implored any and all of you, especially if you know a City Council member, to contact them and let them know they should approve the annexation. If the annexation succeeds our fees will logically drop and the money will stay here instead of going to Sacramento.

Some of you might have received a Property Value Notice from the office of

assessor Claude Parrish. This is something new but has been on the books for a number of years. This assessment is called a TAXABLE POSSESSORY (a new word not in the dictionary) for Harbour Usage. It isn't enough that we have to pay for our docks as well as pay property tax on our docks, now we have to pay to use the harbor. It's only a couple of hundred dollars, but really? A friend of mine in Newport Beach got a similar notice. I wonder if this is legal, and will certainly protest to our County assessor Claude Parrish.

I call this a half because it only affects Trinidad Island but might spread. Our HOA has contracted with an engineering

company to study if the rising sea will necessitate raising our walkway a foot or so to mitigate a rising sea over the next 50 to 100 years for one to two million dollars. I can assure you Al Gore's rising sea won't happen, but that hasn't stopped our HOA spending money to study this. I understand other communities in Huntington Harbour are also looking into this and might be spending foolishly to study the problem.

Are we having fun yet? Always, please feel free to contact me:

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Seagate Yacht Club

by Pam Jackson, SGYC Communications Chair



L to R: SC Mike & Sharon Courtway, and Sue & SC Dale Giali.



L to R: Aurelia and RC Francis Okino, Lucille and Eugene Mascoli, and Jackie Sands.

Huntington Harbour Dock Up Party

Pirates! Carousing under the Jolly Roger at a shipwreck at the Bimini Dock. Blimey, shiver me timbers and blow me down! According to the ship's log of Pirate Captain Dale Giali, on the nineteenth day of May of the two thousand and eighteenth year, old salts and seadogs joined together with wenches, buccaneers, privateers, hearties and landlubbers, some sixty-five strong in all. As best as could be made out through the spyglass, the mismatched assortment of scallywags was marooned at a shipwreck at the Bimini dock, many flashing a cutlass and unmistakably intent on a relentless plight of pillaging and plundering. But, alas, filling their black jacks with a magic clap of thunder that went by the name of Sue's Ship wrecker, the scurvy dogs calmed themselves into a mere riotous party. They pilfered from a bounty of communal vittles, searched out booty, ran a rig, hornswoggled their fellow pirates, mutinied as needed, and walked the plank when deserved. Many freebooters tried to disguise their identity with fake whiskers. Several clippers and

cogs provided necessary shelter, including La Fortuna II, Tagged & Released, Lucky Change II, Sea Ya, Xanax, Encore II and Fish & Chicks. Keeping the grog flowing, the provisions plentiful, and the dock shipshape were ye old event hosts Sharon & SC Mike Courtway and Sue & SC Dale Giali. As the assembled scurvy dogs left the shipwreck, several three sheets to the wind, they were duly warned that dead men tell no tales. Aaaaarrggggghhh!

Los Alamitos Night At The Races

Who says, "Nothing is perfect." Aurelia and RC Francis Okino, Lucille and Eugene Mascoli and Jackie Sands delivered yet another perfect evening of races and dinner at Los Alamitos Race Track on June 9th. We were seated on the balcony in the Vessels Club with a great view of the track. The Jet Deck Buffet was served and it included a generous and delicious selection of Fruit Salad, House Salad, Grilled Vegetables, Oven Roasted Potatoes, Grilled Chicken Breast with Lemon Herb Butter Sauce, Marinated Tri-Tip with rolls. For dessert, we were served Apple or Peach Cobbler with Vanilla Ice

Cream, Coffee and Ice Tea. In addition, the annual Ascot Hat Contest, Derby Quiz and 50-50 drawing created lots of winners. We didn't have a microphone to announce the winning numbers but, low and behold, we didn't need one. We had Dale Giali and he was much more fun to hear than a boring microphone. Race 3 was dedicated to SGYC and our hosts and helpers joined #5 Battle Jet in the winner's circle.

Duffy Brunch Cruise To HHYC

Hosts Bonnie and SC Jeff Specht have done it again. (don't I say that twice every year?) We have again enjoyed the sumptuous Sunday buffet at the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club. On June 24th, as the Duffy's arrived, a smiling Jeff was on deck carefully guiding the vessel parking. Walking into the club all were greeted by the charming and beautiful Bonnie. Then it was off to the omelet buffet where the trained and professional chefs were awaiting our orders for custom omelets. Luckily the waffle table is not far away, but wait, what's on the other tables? Ah bacon, sausage, rolls, fruit and on and on brunch favorites. Finally, we enjoyed the company of our friends and fellow members between bites. We aren't a "drinking club" but the mimosas were plentiful.

Tuesday cruzin' to Pelican Isle for dinner has begun and members and guests will continue to arrive by boat, Duffy or dingy on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday through September. Thanks to SC Mike and Sharon Courtway for organizing this fun event every year.

We have some great summer events coming up. Thank you to all who contributed to this article. Event pictures can be viewed at www.sgyc.club.

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Scrumptious Kiwi Sorbet is Easy to Prepare. Really.

by Cathy Thomas



Remember when the kiwi was considered exotic? It was not that long ago that the tempting darlings were difficult to find. Beneath the deceptive, downy brown covering, a delicate, sweet-tart treasure awaits. The taste is a pleasing blend of strawberry, pineapple and sweet ripe melon.

Native to China, kiwis used to be called “Chinese gooseberries” by Westerners until New Zealand developed their commercial production and named them after their national bird.

My favorite sorbet showcases kiwi fruit. I like to serve it accompanied with crisp cookies.

Kiwi Sorbet

(Yield: makes 5 to 6 medium-large scoops)

1 cup water, 1 cup sugar, 5 standard green kiwi, juice of 1/2 lemon, garnish - 6 sprigs fresh mint.

1. Combine water and sugar in a medium saucepan. Bring to a boil over high heat, gently shaking the handle occasionally to distribute and dissolve sugar; boil for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and cool sugar syrup mixture to room temperature. 2. Peel and slice kiwi fruit and puree in food processor fitted with the metal blade. Measure 1/2 of sugar syrup mixture and add to kiwi. 3. Add lemon juice and process until blended. Process in ice cream machine according to manufacturer’s directions.

Cathy Thomas, award-winning food writer, lives in Huntington Beach. Read more about her culinary escapades and sign up for her e-newsletter for food lovers at CathyThomasCooks.com.

Her stories appear in the O.C Register and Orange Coast Magazine’s Website at orangeoast.com/cathythomas.

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Anglers of Huntington Harbour Harbour

by Kathy Bayless



Members assisting on the 47th annual Anglers of Huntington Harbour Kids Fishing Trip.

May TGIF

Friday evening May 25th about 50 Anglers of Huntington Harbour and guests gathered at the Coral Cay waterfront home of Michael and Terri Feterick for the group's May TGIF. Each of the Anglers brought one of their favorite appetizers or desserts to be enjoyed by all as they socialized on the Feterick's waterfront patio and discussed upcoming Angler activities like the Kid's Fishing Trip for at-risk children and the AHH Member Fishing Tournament. Anglers in attendance who were celebrating May birthdays included Jo Andrews, Mike Myers, Janet Johnson and Kathy Byrne.

Annual Kid's Fishing Trip

At 6:30 am the morning of May 30th 9 Anglers of Huntington Harbour were aboard the 80 foot "Freelance" at Davey's Locker in Newport Beach setting up rods and putting hooks and sinkers on lines as 55 kids and counselors from 5 Huntington Beach middle and high schools arrived. For the past 47 years the Anglers have taken at-risk children in our community on an unforgettable day of deep sea fishing. 26 years ago the Anglers partnered with Dr. Paul Morrow and the Huntington Beach Schools At-Risk Program where the Kid's Fishing Trip is used as an incentive to motivate children who are falling behind to get back on track. The trip has become a life changing event that adds joy and meaning to the lives of these at-risk children. This year's trip was coordinated by 2nd Vice President Phil Lupton who appointed Jim Armor to be in charge the day of the trip. The fishing was great and the kids caught well over a hundred fish and 105 were keepers. The fish included Sculpin, White Fish, Sole, Calico Bass, Sheep Head and Rock Fish. It was heartwarming to see the kid's faces light up with excitement as they caught

their first fish of the day and for some their first fish ever. Trophies were awarded for the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Heaviest Sack and the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Largest Fish. In addition to breakfast, lunch, snacks and the trophies each child received a picture catching a fish and their fish were cleaned by the crew to take home for dinner. This year's photographer was Bruce Bayless and Kathy Bayless printed the pictures for the kid's to take with them. In appreciation for helping the Anglers select the children to go fishing for the past 26 years a fishing reel was awarded to Dr. Paul Morrow, the retired principal of Marina High School. Anglers helping the kids bait hooks and catch fish on this year's trip included Jim Armor, Bruce Bayless, Dave Casey, Bob Hetzler, Kathy Bayless, Bob Mandic, Bill Woodard, Nick Peoples and Mike Concannon.

AHH Member Fishing Tournament

At 7:00 am Saturday June 9th 22 Anglers of Huntington Harbour aboard 5 member boats dropped lines in the water to kick off the annual AHH Member Fishing Tournament organized by Tournament Chairs Bob and Connie Mandic. Participants included Bob Mandic, Mike Myers and Terry Richardson aboard Bob Mandic's "Hot Reels"; Bill Woodard, Janet Johnson, Jim Walton, David Casey, Nick Peoples and Mark Woodard aboard Bill Woodard's "Fish-N-Fun"; Doug Williams, Anne Williams, B.G. Williams, Nick DiBenedetto and Cindy DiBenedetto aboard Doug Williams "Jingo"; Andrew Anderson, Lara Anderson, Storm Anderson and Schaeter Anderson aboard Andrew Anderson's "All Bite" and Phil Lupton, Jim Armor and Bob Hetzler aboard Phil Lupton's "Game On". It was a beautiful sunny day for fishing and after lines out at 12 noon the boats returned to the Harbour and

gathered at Bob and Connie Mandic's for fishing awards and a BBQ bash on their waterfront patio. Karen Peoples, Diana Casey, Bett Walton, Linda Armor, Jo Andrews, Charlene Bauer, Ralph Bauer, Jill Lupton, Connie Mandic and Kelly Mandic joined the festivities. Bob Mandic awarded the Grand Prize (Most Species) to Mike Myers, the Super Prize (Largest Fish) to Janet Johnson and High Boat (Most Fish) to Bill Woodard's "Fish-N-Fun".

Upcoming Events

In 2018 the Anglers of Huntington Harbour are celebrating their 54th year in the Harbour and have many exciting social, fishing and philanthropic activities planned including the August TGIF at the home of Bob and Linda Axel August 31st and the annual Progressive Dinner by Duffy September 29th at the homes of Mark and Holly Layhew (appetizers) and Rob and Gail Sebring (dinner). If you live in the Harbour and want to be considered for one the Anglers open membership positions and attend one of our events please call membership chair Paula Hetzler at (714) 969-2570 for more information.

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La Familia

by Mary Busché



After so many wonderful parties all winter we are so happy to be having our wonderful parties out doors on decks and patios. Everything we do turns into a party as we work benefiting the kids of Orangewood, Our next get together will be on the beautiful patio of Shawn and Peter Hollub on July 12. Their fun thatched roof outdoor bar is always crowded as the libation is so, so good and refreshing on a warm evening. The

beautiful greenery of their garden gives the feeling of Hawaii for a festive time. The talented ladies of our group will all bring their show off goodies for a tasty pot luck dinner.


August is again the month for a good time on my deck with the great meal provided by Jerry and Sandy Alanzo of Casa Blanca Catering. We are still in the planning state for the food and our choices are super. Don't be left out.

Call Mary Busché at (714) 846-7281 or Mim Strickler at (562) 592-2367 if you would like to join our group or come to our parties. Fliers for details are sent to our members.

We are very sad to have to report that our dear loved friend, Joice Brown, has passed away. She had been a very active member from our very first meeting and will be dearly missed by so many.

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Sea Isle Garden Club

by Caron Mount



Sandy Atherton, Caron Mount, Carolyn Lloyd, Cathy Kelly, Mary Ann Brinket, Lucille Mascoli, Cindy Allen, Carolyn Platt, and Dorothy Ralphs.

The Poppies have been in full bloom along Edinger since May, and you can still spot them surrounding the fuchsia-colored bougainvillea just east of Bonaire.

The Sea Isle Garden Club, supported by so many of our community members, along with the City of Huntington Beach, installed the original plantings of Matilija poppies in 2009 all along the mile stretch of Edinger to the Sunset Marina Bridge. Over 20 groups of poppies had been reduced for various reasons to just a couple of flowers two years ago. But this year they have made a comeback.

In celebration of their revival, the Sea Isle Garden Club gathered for a Picnic with the Poppies, May 21st, at the Edinger Parkway walk next to the poppies. Dorothy Ralphs and Carolyn Platt organized the event, with Cindy Allen, Mary Ann Brinket, Cathy Kelly, Sandy Atherton, Caron Mount, Lucille Mascoli, and all the way from St. George, Utah, our treasurer, Carolyn Lloyd, attending. Dorothy provided the table with colorful tablecloth, napkins, flower arrangement, cushions, and liquid refreshments. Carolyn prepared the

lunch, with croissant sandwiches, potato salad, fruit, and deviled eggs. The ants came uninvited.

Caron Mount brought some Matilija poppy seeds, which she had purchased online. They came with instructions and resources on how to germinate the seeds. Oddly, these poppy seeds germinate readily after a flash heat and/or smoke of a wild fire, like the thick smoke we had here in October after the fires in Anaheim and Orange. Within their range, they prefer gravelly soil, sometimes growing on the sides of stream banks or alongside a road, as seen on Catalina Island up Avalon Canyon to the Wrigley Botanical Garden. Catalina has had a few serious fires, and the poppies did spring back.

The instructions with the seeds explained how nurserymen/women have tried different odd techniques which they say work, such as soaking the seeds in rubbing alcohol for 15 minutes. This is to replace the fire-induced germination. Another gardener found success in using a hydrogen peroxide soak and stir, rinse in a strainer, then putting them in a plastic bag with peat moss and perlite, followed by refrigeration for two months before planting. One would wonder how this relates to a natural environment.

Our Sea Isle members discussed the various ways we could safely use the flash-fire method at our September meeting at the Seagate Clubhouse. We could plant them in a peat-pot, burn pine needles on top, then water. Or we may try to soak them in smoke-water before planting and then they are suppose to pop right up.

So at our September 12 meeting, at 10:00 at the Seagate Bonaire Clubhouse, we will be giving it a try with several techniques. You are welcome to join us. For more information, contact Bonnie Specht at (714) 625-8449.



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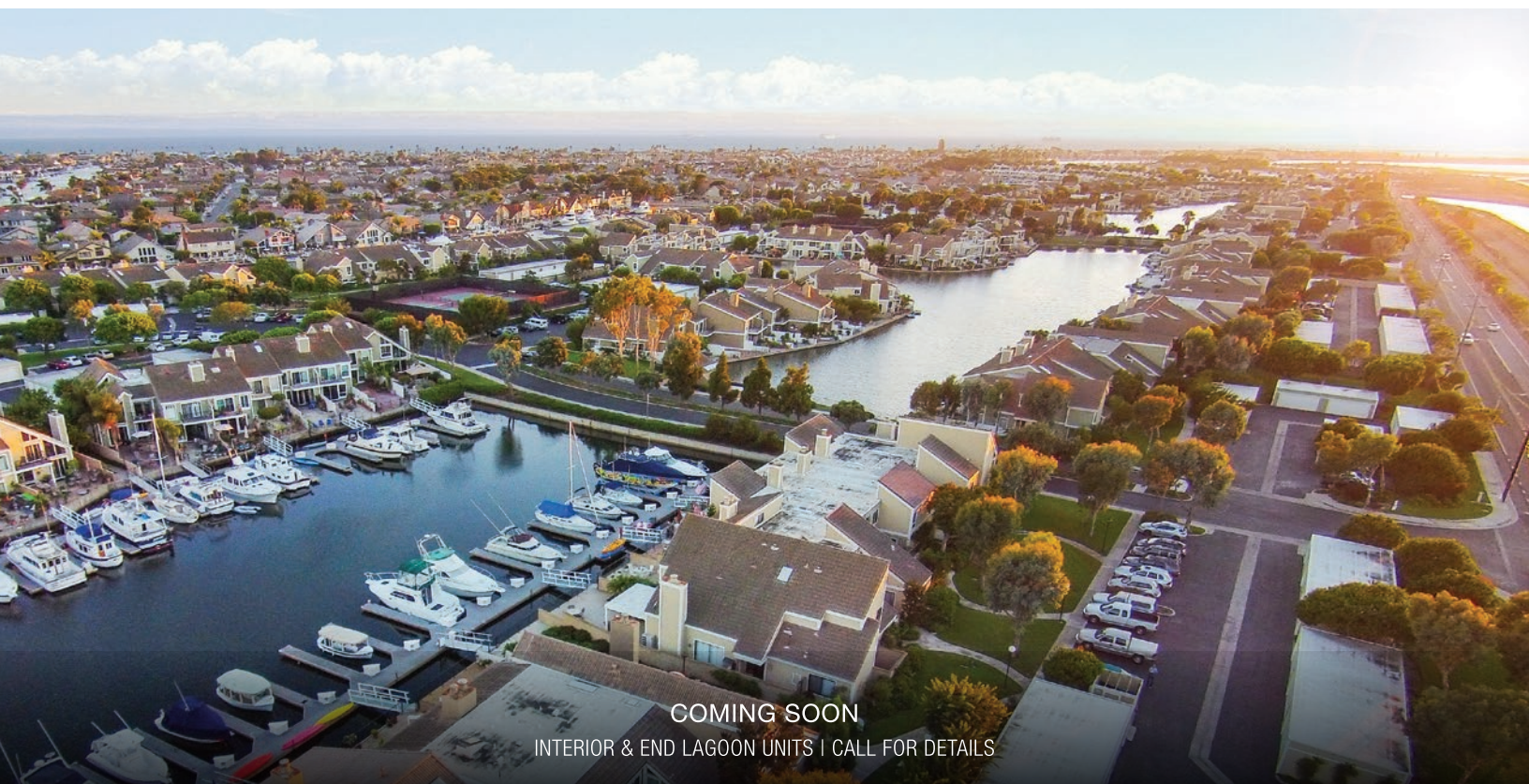
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Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee

by Eva Kilgore



HB City Council, and Marlene Nielsen's family friends as Marlene was honored for her stellar work with PSOC as president.

The Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee works and plays all year long. And, that's just the way we like it!

Our Attic Treasures event, held in the Huntington Harbour Mall parking lot, saw dozens of HHPC volunteers, and hundreds of visitors snagging bargains on clothing, jewelry, home décor, one-of-a-kind antiques, and more.

"A Space Odyssey" is the theme for this year's boat parade, to be held Saturday, December 8 and Sunday, December 9. It's a magical weekend with dozens of boats winding their ways through the Harbour, thrilling thousands on decks, docks, little bridges, beaches, and wherever they can catch the parade.

Grand marshals Ross de la Haye and his son John de la Haye are already working to gather boats for the parade. You can enter your own boat by calling (714) 840-7542.

The Huntington Harbour Boat Parade is celebrating its 56th year. It's a thank you to our residents for decorating their homes... so when we present the Cruise of Lights, guests see those decorations! The Cruise is a 45 minute narrated boat tour.

Visitors come from as far away as China to Huntington Harbour and take the Cruise of Lights. Proceeds benefit music education programs for thousands of Orange County children from kindergarten through 12th grade.

The 2018 dates for the Cruise of Lights are December 14 -17 and December 20-23. We are doing something really special on Sunday, December 16 and Thursday, December 20. It's the Land & Sea tour.

What's that? It starts with an off-water home tour with a stop to see some special

decorations up close. Have a glass of champagne or cider. Listen to carolers, then enjoy dinner at the "members only" Huntington Harbour Yacht Club.

Take in the water view at the club, and celebrate the season! After dinner you'll go to the front of the Cruise of Lights line with special passes to your boat for the Cruise of Lights. Memories? You'll gather enough for a lifetime. Info: www.cruiseoflights.org

While you are marking the calendar, make sure and add the Holiday Boutique, set for October 5 and 6. Vendors galore with clothing, jewelry, holiday items, food...and so much more. Early holiday shopping at it's finest!

Are you a vendor? Still time to sign up by calling (714) 840-7542.

We would love to invite your teen to join the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee Juniors. They're our youngest volunteers, and meet once a month.

Serving at a soup kitchen, gathering toiletries for women in shelters, cleaning our beaches...and presenting a highly anticipated fashion show every year are just some of the activities of the juniors. Info: (714) 840-7542.

Our HHPC president Carol Leu is working through the summer, as are many of our members (with some play time included, of course). We love what we do!



L to R: 2018 Grand Marshal John de la Haye, Santa Claus, and Co-Grand Marshal Ross de la Haye in the Huntington Beach 4th of July parade.

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HHPC: Trinidad Group

by Tharice Opalewski



From L to R, back row: Ellen Martin, Patty Reilly, Tricia Pratto – front row: Dee Holte, Linda Axel, Elizabeth Larripa, Dianne Rector.



Trinidad's last Hooray Pizza Party.

As the team ended this season at the 2 installation luncheons, the outgoing President Patty Reilly gave each member a beautiful rose and thank you note for their service and support to the team. To say the least Patty worked hard representing the Trinidad team for ALL functions and events to raise money and support the children's music programs. Thank you, Patty for your leadership and support you did a great job representing and ensuring we all knew what was happening throughout the season! A special thanks to ALL the leadership committee members for their great roles in supporting the wonderful causes of HHPC and what we are all here to do, RAISE MONEY for the kids and have fun in the process.

The team celebrated Once de Mayo, instead of Cinco de Mayo, in the true

Trinidad style with LOTS of food and beverage. Thanks to the Novak's for opening their home for this last hooray of the season. A great turn out as always with almost standing room only at this event. But, WAIT we had one MORE last-minute event in June at the newly re-opened Buon Gusto for a last-minute pizza party. Thanks goes to Sheree Novak and Patty Reilly for their coordination of this food and friends and whooping it up one last time before we all head off to our summer vacations of fun and family.

You see Trinidad HHPC is one big happy family that loves to work hard and play even harder. All our members share and give of themselves in spite of their very busy personal lives and schedules. We stick together, we care for one another above and beyond the duty of HHPC.

We keep up and stay in touch in, I love being a part of this group and have always felt the love and warmth of every single person because that is what they are all about, love!

For more information on how to be a part of the Trinidad team please contact Ellen Martin at the following address: elleninhuntington@yahoo for membership information. We meet every third Thursday of the month for lunch and our meeting, this fits in with most people's working lives as their lunch can be spent catching up on the latest HHPC events and happenings.

Have a great summer and see ya'll in September as we launch another year of music, fund raising and FUN! Hope to see some "new" members join us as we launch OUR new season!



Bottom, L to R: Ellen Martin, Linda Axel, Tricia Pratto, Bea' Swanson, Roni Fell – Top: Tharice, Gail Weiss, Patty Reilly, Dee Holte, Deborah Fairon, Pam Myers, Linda Cohen, Elizabeth Larripa, Nancy McDevitt, Sheri Novak.

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HHPC: Sandpipers

by Lolly McHardy



Co-Presidents Susan Lipman and Lolly McHardy ready for HB 4th of July Parade.



Santa Mike McHardy, Rose Lindquist, and Grand Marshall's Ross and John De La Haye.

Sandpipers are enjoying summer with family and friends, however, we are still busy promoting Boat parade and Cruise of Lights.

Our very own Santa Mike McHardy, along with Co-presidents Susan Lipman and Lolly McHardy joined other HHPC members and our Grand Marshalls, Ross and John De La Haye, in the 114th Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade.

We thank our hosts Todd and Rose Lindquist for joining us with their beautiful boat pulled by our Music Mobile

along with our very own Madeline Fields. It was a beautiful day for a parade and we received lots of attention.

It is with great honor that we received 2nd place trophy in the parade. It will be displayed in the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic office.

On August 5th, Sandpipers will help host our membership table at the annual concert in the park promoting new membership, Boat Parade and the Cruise of Lights. We will have our Music Mobile on site! Members will be on hand to talk

about our music programs and how they benefit our kids in Huntington Beach and Orange County.

Sandpipers meet every 3rd Thursday of every month at a member's home. The meeting is followed by appetizers and happy hour.

If you would like to join us, please contact Lolly McHardy at (714) 846-7983 or Susan Lipman at (714) 337-5158. We would love to have you join us.

HHPC: Admiralty

by Grace Holdaway



"Let's Picnic" was held at the beautiful waterfront home of Michelle Brenner with a full hosted bar and a lovely array of picnic delights. L-R: Ellie Winterfeld, Judy Cassidy, Teri Bowers, and Michelle Brenner.

What a fabulous start of our summer! Michelle Brenner opened her beautifully redone home for our first summer party. It was called "Let's Picnic" and featured food that you would find at a great picnic; fried chicken, potato and fruit salads

all arranged to delight your eye, with cupcakes for desert. The food and full hosted bar was arranged by Judy Cassidy with help from Eve Jordan. I did not make this event but have heard it was well attended by 40 members and friends

and the weather was very cooperative enhancing the evening on the water.

The party planning committee was: Teri Bowers, Anne Crowley, Nancy Kujat, Ellie Winterfeld and Judy Cassidy. Most of these gals are newer members and have jumped right in to be of service. We are very appreciative of their enthusiasm and work.

Admiralty will be having an event in August, the "Admiralty Summer Social", and again our lovely Michelle Brenner will make her home available.

If you are interested in meeting and making great friends in addition to supporting the O.C. Philharmonic music programs for our children in Orange County, please contact our Membership Chair: Judy Cassidy, (714) 842-9343 and come to a summer party!

HHPC: Marina/Windjammer

by Lara Anderson



Maggie Van Eck, Roberta Swain, Pearl Holmes, Barbara Sentell and Joanne Fernbach at Sea Cliff Country Club for the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee Installation lunch

Our meetings will resume in September but we're already planning on hitting the ground running.

Incoming Presidents Roberta Swain and Lisa Weller have summoned the Marina/Windjammer officers to a Kick-Off meeting on August 30th. Rest assured it's only the planning of the fundraising and concert season we're commencing and nobody will be "kicked off"— we need all the help we can get!

Roberta says, "I am so grateful to be a part of the Marina/Windjammers. As the Co-Presidents, Lisa Weller and I look forward to an awesome year of working with our team of volunteers. Our magnificent team will help with the HHPC boutique, the boat parade and with the Cruise of Lights. We will usher and docent with several of the music programs and activities in Orange County for children."

Linda Halopoff and the hospitality committee already have us saving the date of December 19th for a holiday party. (As our Cruise of Lights Chairperson, she knows firsthand how fast that December calendar fills up!)

Watch for information about the various events coming up throughout the year and don't be shy about participating! Whether it's a little or a lot, every bit helps. If you can't sign up for an ongoing commitment but want to help out when your schedule allows, we will need volunteers to fill all kinds of positions at the Harbour Place Mall and the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club for the Cruise of Lights nights, plus daytime ticket sales leading up to the event. It's scheduled for December 14-17 and 20-23 this year.

To learn more about becoming a Marina/Windjammer, or to check out the food, fun and friends at our next meeting, contact Membership Chair Karen Ridout at 714-319-2325 or email her at kridout1@icloud.com. Our meetings are held in the morning on the third Thursday of each month, followed by lunch at the host member's home. Meetings also feature a live musical performance.

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HHPC: Islanders

by Eva Kilgore



Marlene Nielsen, PSOC President receives commendation from HB City Council member, and HHPC Islander Lyn Semeta.



L to R: John de la Haye, Ross de la Haye at the HB 4th of July parade...HHPC won the second place entry award!

Happy summer! Islanders won't meet as a group until September, but we're involved in various committees such as the boat parade, Cruise of Lights, and Holiday Boutique. So...you'll find many of us attending meetings in the HHPC office all summer long.

Did you see us in the Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade? Our 2018 Grand Marshals John de la Haye and Ross de la Haye waved to thousands along the parade route in a boat owned by Mary and Scott Lindquist, both Islanders! The

Music Mobile shimmered in the parade. HHPC's entries won second place!

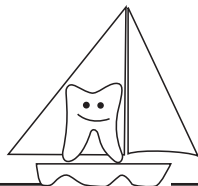
Elizabeth Henry also showed her patriotism in the parade by waving to many with a giant smile on her face.

Elizabeth and Islander Rachel Helgeson will be heading up the HHPC Juniors this year. It's open to teens, and is a lot of fun. Juniors meet once a month, do charitable projects, and end the year with an incredible fashion show. For information on the Juniors, call 714-840-7542.

Marlene Nielsen just ended her term as President of the Women's Committees for the PSOC. She turned what was a challenging year funds-wise, into a profitable success! Huntington Beach city council member and Islander Lyn Semeta arranged for Marlene to be honored by the council. We are so proud of Marlene and thank you to our stellar Islander member Lyn!

Islander president Denise Sonnenberg is looking forward to an incredible year ahead for our group.

Our second place trophy.



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Assistance League® Huntington Beach

by Diane Dwyer



President Hedy Knight (center front row) with members of the 2017-2018 Board.

At the end of May, Assistance League Huntington Beach closed out an incredible year of making a difference in the lives of almost 19,000 children and adults in Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster.

How did we make a difference? Our members (chapter, DreamCatchers and Assisteens® auxiliaries) volunteered almost 67,000 hours and through our philanthropic programs returned over \$900,000 to the community!

Providing Basic Needs

- Through Operation School Bell® we put shirts on backs, shoes on feet and smiles on the faces of children who had the opportunity to shop for new school clothes and shoes at Target Nights in Huntington Beach and Westminster.
- Through Operation New Beginnings individuals and families in crisis were able to shop for clothes and other essentials in our Thrift Shop.

Furthering Education

- Through Links to Learning HB, teachers had the opportunity to purchase hardware, software or special programs to provide a better learning experience for their students.
- Scholars' Hope students benefitted from college scholarships and support given to the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math) program.
- Scholarships were awarded to single parents in Project Self-Sufficiency, Golden West College nursing students and veterans enrolled in the Police Academy and other full-time studies.
- Through the Legacy of Literacy project, chapter members along with DreamCatchers and Assisteens collected and donated 2,587 books to students at Oak View Elementary school.

2017-2018 A Rewarding Year Transforming Lives and Strengthening Community

Boosting Self-Esteem

- Through the Operation Bear Hug, program bears were delivered to Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley hospitals to comfort children and adults in ambulances and emergency rooms.
- Through Operation New Beginnings, Assistance League partnered with Soroptimist International HB to provide single mom college students with a "Day of Empowerment".
- Assisteens® made a difference to Project Self-Sufficiency families through their Birthday in a Bag program and participation in the PSS Holiday Party.
- Through Support Our Seniors, DreamCatchers helped homebound seniors in need remain independent by providing grocery cards, bus passes and holiday bags filled with surprises.
- DreamCatchers also donated \$1,000 to Huntington Beach Council on Aging to purchase and install special handrails in homes of seniors.

How were we rewarded?

Beside the feeling of accomplishment that comes from transforming the lives of children and adults in our community, Assistance League was fortunate to be honored with three awards this year.

- Huntington Beach Chamber Best of the Best "Wave of Hope" award
 - Fountain Valley Chamber "Non-profit of the Year" award
 - Association of California Administrators "Partners in Educational Excellence" award
- What else made this year amazing?

Two major accomplishments stand out:

- The annual fundraiser Treasures by the Sea® was a huge success resulting in \$144,000 being raised for our programs. An amazing fundraiser team along with implementation of a new fundraiser website and mobile bidding were key to our success.
- The Thrift Shop team had a record year resulting in sales of \$753,000.

How can you help us do more for our community?

- You can help us "make a difference" by donating and shopping at our newly remodeled Assistance League Thrift Shop, 8071 Slater Ave (just East of Beach Blvd.), Huntington Beach. We're open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 11:00 am – 3:00 pm and on Thursday 1:00 - 5:00 pm.
- We are on ebay, so shop with us at: www.ebay.com/usr/assistance_league_of_huntington_beach
- Attend our annual fundraiser Treasures by the Sea. Mark your calendar for March 30, 2019 at the Waterfront Hilton.
- Make a cash donation to Assistance League of Huntington Beach. To make a cash donation, email assistanceleaguehb@aol.com. www.ALHB.org.

Working on Your Financial Stress

Now that's a stressful topic—Financial Stress! Stress is a psychological response to a perceived threat. It can affect you with conditions such as high blood pressure, insomnia, weight gain/loss, and substance abuse, to name a few. The two most common effects of financial stress are Anxiety and Depression which are both mental and physical conditions.

If the source of your stress is finances, let's discuss a few ways to work towards making changes that can relieve that stress.

1. Create a Spending Plan. Don't call it a Budget; ugh, that's an ugly word. First, look at what must be paid every month, and then plan what to do with what's remaining. Most important is to pay off credit card bills every month. What if there is a purchase that will blow the Spending Plan out of the water, like a \$3,000 patio set or a \$50,000 car? Let's create some rules. If a purchase is less than 10% of our total income for the year, we must save for it. If it's more, then we finance it over 3 or 5 years. These spending policies will curtail impulse purchases of expensive (unneeded?) items.
2. Have an Emergency Fund. If you need a new transmission in your car or a new air conditioning unit, dip into the Emergency

Fund, then replenish it. Don't let the Emergency cause stress . . . you have a fund to prevent that!

3. Give your money a purpose. Purpose can include travel, a new car in 12 months, or helping a grandchild with college expenses. Prioritize what's most important to you in the next 12-24 months. Keeping your purpose in mind will help create positive and self-satisfying results in your spending.
4. Simple concepts to implement
 - Balance your cash accounts each month
 - The art of finding the deal; prudent spending
 - Stop impulse purchases (see #3 above)
 - Save money monthly (feeds into 1 and 2 above)
 - Check your credit report regularly (2-3 times per year)
 - Give charitably (fits into #1 above)
5. Set up a Financial Plan. This is not a 3-inch thick binder that a "professional" gives to you. It is a comprehensive plan of how save, invest, save on taxes, protect your assets, draw on investments during retirement, and pass your legacy to your loved ones. It's an action plan, not a 2-pound paper block on your shelf.

Find positive aspects of your life each day - gratitude dissolves stress. To paraphrase the Serenity Prayer:

- Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change (stock market volatility)
- Courage to change the things I can (saving & spending)
- And wisdom to know the difference

Last, consider the benefits of getting outside help. Most people need an independent voice to help with decisions around money and their future. The principals of Inspired Financial pay a Certified Financial Planner™ a quarterly retainer to provide them advice and guidance so that they are not like the cobbler whose children have no shoes. We want to reduce our stress, too!

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Huntington Harbour Garden Club

by Doreen Hill



Luncheon at Kathy May's, Standing: Elise Masseling, Donna Shaffer, Pearl Holmes, Charlene Bauer, Jo Andrews, Kay Sullivan, Mary Johnston, Lara Anderson, Pat Carr - Sitting: Pam Smart, Doreen Hill, and Betty McCarthy.

Our speaker in April was a resident and business owner for 40 years, Gary Hart, of Hartscape Company, a complete landscape construction company that is licensed, bonded and insured, www.hartscape.com, (714) 891-9151.

Gary stressed the importance of being an informed consumer and educated us on the basics. Foremost, is to make sure that anyone hired is licensed, bonded and insured to protect you and the workers on your property. Concrete work basics is to know the materials being used. The minimum aggregate rock size in a driveway should be 1 inch, to allow more surface area and minimize cracking, and 3/8 inch for walkways. Rebar is the best support in the middle of the concrete, not mesh. Also, do not use fly ash because it will leave dark spots. The thickness should be 4 inches and the P.S.I. 2000, at the least. Mr. Hart has a standard of 3500 P.S.I. The driveway must be poured all at once, otherwise it will have variations in color. Then the finish is either sanded or stamped. A city permit is required on any wall over three feet. It is best to have a complete plan of your yard agreed upon before any work is started. Hart works with a hand artist that is available to help visualize and design what his clients envision. We saw an example of this architect's astounding drawing of a detailed landscape design.

Commercial supply houses, such as, Imperial Sprinkler Supply, are the best to buy from for quality sprinkler parts such as Rainbird, swing joints for pop-ups to prevent breakage and 20 foot sections of

pipes. A local supplier of pavers, Orco Block and Hardscape (11100 Beach Blvd.) does not mandate a minimum purchase amount so will save you on little jobs.

One of the questions posed was, "How can cracks be fixed?" Answer: With the lowering of the VOC's in California: can't do it anymore with previous products. Current purported concrete coatings generally only last a few years.

Mr. Hart also introduced us to some of the products he recommends for use on our lawns and in our planters. "Green as It Gets," www.GreenAsItGets.com, are products developed by Jere White, a Biochemical Engineer graduate of Stanford, that work with the micro ecology of the soil to produce healthier plants and lawns. Gary graciously donated some bags of these products for our club.

At our festive St. Patrick's Day themed March meeting at the home of Connie

and Bob Mandic, we heard Linda Jenis, a Master Gardener with UCCE Orange County Master Gardeners and retired teacher speak on Container Vegetable Growing. She encouraged us to be creative and use different types of containers with combinations of herbs. Whether starting from seeds or purchased plants, the key to successful container growing was maintaining the proper water balance and drainage. Make sure all pots have a hole in the bottom!

Our Tuesday, May 15, meeting featured Susan Butala of the O.C. Fuchsia Society. The June 19th installation was at Kathy Mays in H.B. Central Park. We resume our meetings in September. Guests are always welcome, so join us. Call Connie Mandic (714) 377-0017 or Doreen Hill (714) 878-3011 for more information.



L to R: May speaker Susan Butala (President of the Orange County Fuschia Society), Hostess, Lara Anderson, and Master Gardener, Barbara Simone.

Huntington Harbour Republican Women, Federated

by Annette Eliot



Cinderella Carriage with Nancy Van Der Plas, Linda Carl, Dorothy Nabaldian in the HB 4th of July Parade.

HHRWF members were very active stumping for their favorite Republican candidates in the primary. Many were busy walking precincts, phoning, and doing mailings. But, no volunteer was working harder than Diane McGlinchey, HHRWF Parliamentarian and HHRWF Past President, who was awarded Orange County Republican Party (OCGOP) Volunteer of the Month. Diane works selflessly helping Republican candidates get elected. With volunteers like Diane making it happen, the GOP can expect a “red wave” in November. Great job Diane!

To help celebrate Dana Rohrabacher’s birthday and his volunteers, HHRWF members Helga Arnold, Imelda Preciado, and Annette Eliot attended a party held at the scenic Balboa Peninsula. Congressman Devin Nunes stopped by the oceanfront event and spoke to the crowd of volunteers about the latest in Washington and the House Intelligence Committee which he is Chairman.

The Huntington Beach 4th of July parade is a tradition for the HHRWF. This year members cruised the parade route in elegant Cinderella Carriages and a fun party Wagonette all drawn by beautiful white horses. The carriages and horses were beautifully decorated in red, white, and blue with lots and lots of bling and shiny stars. The HHRWF riders and their families were Gracey Larrea and Pieter Van Der Mark and son Seth Larrea, Annette Eliot, Luanne and Burdett Hallett, Kathy and Ken Case, Dorothy Nabaldian, Nancy Van Der Plas, Linda Carl, Tina Vo, Eva Weisz, Ester Capedian, and Susan Dunaway, Jill Boag, and Stephanie Rachel.

HHRWF’s next meeting is August 22, 6:30 pm at Meadowlark Golf Club. The topic is “Voter Integrity, keeping our Polling Places Honest”. Anyone interested in our meeting or membership call Charlotte Christiana (714)846-4841 or Amy Harman (714) 964-4536.



Diane McGlinchey, HHRWF Parliamentarian and past HHRWF President, received volunteer of the month from the Orange County Republican Party (OCGOP).



L-R: Congressman Devin Nunes and HHRWFVP Annette Eliot.

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Flying Dutchman Chapter of the Segerstrom Center for the Arts

by Mike Nielsen



Members at the 2018-2019 Installation meeting.

The Guilds of the Segerstrom Center for the Arts had their Installation for the 2018-2019 season. It was held at the Costa

Mesa Country Club. Flying Dutchman members turned out in large numbers to help celebrate our own Mary Shebell

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Huntington Harbour Art Association

by Jackie Dvorman



L-R: Kate Hoffman, (director of Huntington Beach Art Center), Pat McKenna, Barbara Simone (past president), Linda Sackin, Pam Smart, Marilyn Tom and incoming president Janet Johnson.

The HHAA started the summer with an excursion to the exciting CA101 exhibit in Redondo Beach to see the exhibition of the newly installed art from all of California. The curator, Nina Laddon, guided us through the many galleries of amazing art before we had a salad luncheon at Janet Johnson's and then a drive along Esplanade to see the civic display of mosaics and the Ten Thousand Villages with an array of Fair Made Gifts and Crafts.

The newly elected officers of the group had their In and Out Luncheon and planning meeting at the Seagate Clubhouse when in-coming officers

exchanged ideas for the new year and the program for the future was discussed under the leadership Of Janet Johnson, the newly elected president. Future plans for the year include the traditional Fall Luncheon with Doreen Hill and Linda Morrow in charge, :The exciting Fiber Arts Show in November with Pat McKenna in charge; the winter luncheon to begin the new year and the anticipated Fine Arts Show under the direction of Bea Tamo with the assistance of JoAnn Ross. We are also planning an Architectural and Interior Design Progressive luncheon for the Spring.

The traditional tour of the Festival of Arts in Laguna Beach, with luncheon at the flower filled terrace, was led by Jackie Dvorman. The group spent the afternoon creating art on their own or wandering among the colorful exhibition spaces

There will be many new workshops, planned by Marsha Hendler, and special trips planned by Rhea Black next season. We encourage new members who want to join, not necessarily to create art, but to support arts for pleasure and education with participation of all forms of art. We have exciting plans for the new Season.

International Order of the Blue Gavel, District 10

by Joyce Jackson-Coomber, District Director, District 10

Opening day season is over and was wonderful. Rodney and I attended at least 25 different yacht clubs for their festivities. Between myself and a few other members of the board we inducted nine new members.

We have several events planned for the upcoming months including dinners with speakers at both Huntington Harbor and Long Beach Yacht Clubs, A Day at the Races at Los Alamitos Race Track and a Knott's Berry Farm chicken dinner followed by rides in the park.

We are partnering with Navy Yacht Club to raise money for The Children's Clinics of Long Beach. We will accomplish this by hosting an omelet bar brunch at the Navy Yacht Club facility on August 5, 2018.

We are in the planning stages of fund raising in support of Sherry Barone's installation in 2019.



IOBG District 10 Induction Ceremony.

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