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The Wanderlust Ski Club enjoyed their trip to Deer Valley Utah. Photographer Bill Silliman shot the group photo and has many beautiful nature photos available for sale on his website at www.billsillimanphotography.com.

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### **Bolsa Chica Conservancy**

by Eric Paquette, Operations Manager BCC



Halie Molino, one of the top individual supporters of the BCC in 2020.

The Bolsa Chica Conservancy would like to shine a light on one of our top individual supporters in 2020: Halie Molino. As a Huntington Beach native and Bolsa Chica wetland enthusiast, Halie began donating to the Bolsa Chica Conservancy in 2020 following the devastating 62-acre wildfire with proceeds raised from her home-based fragrance company, Pacific Candle Co.

Growing up in Huntington Beach, Halie has always enjoyed visiting the Bolsa Chica Wetlands and appreciated the beauty this local treasure has to offer. After moving closer to the wetlands, Halie now gets to enjoy the tranquility of Bolsa Chica on a weekly basis, "When I moved closer to the wetlands a few years ago, I started going for walks a few times a week with my husband. It is one of our favorite weekend activities!"

The beauty of the wetlands and Bolsa Chica's mission to inspire and connect all generations through hands-on restoration and education programs has also resonated with Halie. When we asked her what attracted her to the Conservancy, she replied: "I am passionate about supporting my community and its future. Nonprofits like the Bolsa Chica Conservancy are ensuring that future generations are able to experience the beauty of the wetlands and learn about wildlife, ecological preservation and get involved in their community."

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For advertising rates, visit www.harbourlightmagazine.com If you wish to advertise in the magazine, phone us at (310) 874-2033 or e-mail harbourlightmagazine@gmail.com. Halie also had this to say when we asked what motivates her to continue to stay involved with the Conservancy, "When the wildfire devastated the area in July of last year and showed us all the fragility of our beautiful backyard, I felt compelled to find a way to help support this nature preserve. Being able to donate a portion of each of my sales seemed like the best way for me to provide the support to the Conservancy so that they can continue their dedicated work to keep our slice of paradise beautiful!"

When not creating beautifully scented fragrances or hand-poured soy wax candles at home for Pacific Candle Co, Halie enjoys practicing Ju Jit-su, hanging out with her two kittens, Hobbes and Ace, and stopping-in for a cold one at Riip Beer Co. after a walk at the wetlands.

It has been truly wonderful getting to know Halie, and we truly appreciate her graciousness in sharing her love for the Bolsa Chica Wetlands through donations made from her home-based business.

If you or someone you know were inspired by Halie's story and would like to show love for your wetlands, and the programs provided by the Bolsa Chica Conservancy visit; BolsaChica.org to donate or volunteer today, you can also contact us at (714) 846-1114 or info@ bolsachica.org. We hope to meet more amazing community members like Halie and you!

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### **HHYC: Sea Belles**

by Ellie Winterfeld, Parliamentarian/Ships Hailer



Sea Belles Installation, Captain Linda Nibeel-4th from the right, back row.

Welcome to 2021 Sea Belles. As you all know we had a fabulous turnout for January at our monthly bingo, hosted by Anne and Dave Crowley. Bingo continues to be a big fundraiser for our club. We anticipate having this event once a month.

Sea Belles were thrilled to finally have their installation of 2021 officers on February 2nd. We had an amazing turnout with approximately 21 attendees. We all followed CDC guidelines and had our installation on our Marina Patio. Ellie Winterfeld the 2019 & 2020 Sea Belles Capt. introduced and thanked her 2020 board and committee members for their service. She recapped the activities of the year and the Sea Belles contributions to HHYC. In 2020 we had several fundraisers that raised enough money to purchase two outdoor heaters, a stove and a Salamander for our kitchen. Recently, we also provided brand new patio chairs for our Marina Patio. After summarizing the year, Ellie went on to install the new officers. We installed the new Captain Linda Nibeel, First Mate - Judy Cassidy, Secretary - Debbie Branstetter, Treasurer - Carol Hall, Programs - Shelly Darling and Margie Armstrong, Ships Hailer - Ellie Winterfeld, Ways and Means - Rita Epperson, Ships Store -Eve Jordon and Beverly Maguire, and Parliamentarian - Ellie Winterfeld. Our Standing Committee Chairs are: Hospitality - Joanne Collins & Barbara Blodgett, Photographer - Jackie Demos, Historian - Ships Hailer Ellie Winterfeld, Reservations - Anne Crowley, Sunshine - Barbara Blodgett, Bar - Teri Bower. Congratulations to all the Officers and

Committee Chairs. Ellie presented Captain Linda Nibeel with the Sea Belles gavel. Linda gave a brief summary of her goals for 2021.

The next Sea Belles meeting is scheduled for March 3rd on the Marina Patio at 10:30 am. E-vites will be going out soon with the particulars. Bring your own lunch, beverage and paper supply. Our special guest is Chris Epting who

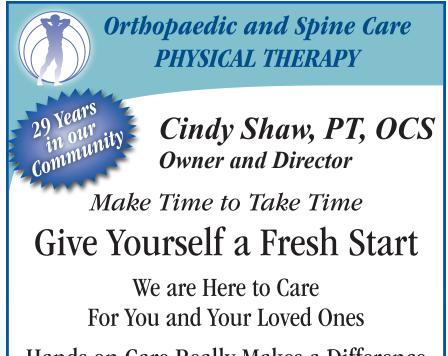


L to R: Captain Linda Nibeel, guest speaker Chris Epting, and Program Chair Shelly Darling.

will speak on " New Hidden History of Huntington Beach".

Our next Bingo will be held on March 7, at 2:00 pm on Sunday. Beverages and food will be available for purchase.

We hope that we have provided incentives for you to participate and join our Sea Belles. Make sure you mark your calendars with the events scheduled, Warmest Regards, Ellie Winterfeld.



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### Dredging Up the Past

by Melody-Rose Merrill



John Merrill

In the 40's, my Grandpa Tom Merrill bought properties in Belmont Shores, Long Beach and Sunset Beach. My Dad John Merrill was a Marina Developer and Dredgerman and took over the Sunset Beach property making it into a marina (where the Red Onion was/is) Incidentally, his hang out was Turk's across the street where he met my Mother and her sister on a night out.

Dad bought and sold yachts from Florida and on one trip, fell in love with Fort Lauderdale. He envisioned something like that in Sunset Beach, was commissioned by somebody to dredge island areas while he was building the marina and the next thing I know, we're moving into the 3rd house built on Gilbert Island, 16631 Peale Lane, in 1962. They were magical years, as I'm sure everyone who lives in Huntington Harbour believes no matter their year.

That first year, Mom and several friends decided to arrange a Christmas Boat Parade ala Newport Beach and it was on. The early years of Huntington Harbour were strewn with growing pains of families, and bus stops, swimming to friend's houses and rowing to "Mud Island" which is now a cove with multi million dollar homes. My Mom would yell across the bay to the Eisenhaurs, the Dods, the Badhams (brother of our Senator



The dredge that dredged the original Huntington Harbour.

Robert Badham), the Serras (exiled MD of Castro) and whoever would listen that Bloody Mary's were on the patio and there would be surfboards, sabots and swimmers in our yard immediately. It was the life.



### The 1967 Boat Parade, a Breathtaking Success

This is from volume 1, number 2 of Harbour Light Magazine, the February-March 1967 issue. The pictures and copy are from the cover article which was written by Barbara Soules. The magazine was supplied by Melody-Rose Merrill (see her article on pg. 8) Enjoy!

Cautiously, boat owners all over Huntington Harbour pulled the curtains back and breathed a sigh of relief: It was Saturday, December 17, and the sun was shining - no rain - no fog - so, it was full speed ahead, destination one of the most dazzling Christmas Boat Parades Huntington Harbour had yet seen since its origin four years ago when the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee of the Orange County Philharmonic Society decided what better way to help promote youth concerts, scholarships, etc., than to sponsor such a benefitting project for this area.

The success and beauty of the parade, of course, was due to the enthusiastic response from the boat owners who labored so diligently on their boats to make each one an exciting and beautiful sight to behold both for young and old alike. To them the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic sends a special thanks. We only wish we had an award for each and every one.



Grand Marshal, Gabriel Felix



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Sweepstake Winner (Night), Mr. & Mrs. A. Bayard Dod, Jr.



Santa's Dinghy-Deer Parade

### Wanderlust Ski Club

by Leigh Ross, photos Brady Mazzara



One last run before having lunch at Stein Erickson.

The Best Ski Club in the West experienced a wonderful seven day trip to Deer Valley Utah. We stayed at the Silver Baron Lodge which makes our fourth time. Thirty-four adventurers were very happy at this beautiful location which allows access to dining at the St. Regis,



Fun night at Grappa in Park City.

Montage, the famous Stein Erickson Lodge, Fireside and several more. A special treat was skiing up to the St. Regis Bar for a hot chocolate and brandy in the afternoon to carry out the day.

Of coarse there was lots of shopping in Park City, not to mention museums, art galleries, etc. Our last night was a feast at the Grub Steak restaurant in Park City, Elk and Bison were great selections.

Our three club trips next year will be at Mammoth, Snowmass Colorado, and Telluride Colorado. Skiers that might have an interest in joining our club can contact Phil Lupton at (714) 321-0467. **Cathy Thomas Cooks** 

by Cathy Thomas, Food Columnist - orangecoast.com



Sue Young and I built culinary careers together. Side by side for over 20 years, from the late 70s through 2000, we taught Tasting Spoon cooking classes. Those gatherings took root in my long-ago Huntington Harbour home, with friends and neighbors supporting our efforts.

Sue was downright fearless. Not prone to "culinary stage fright," she never seemed nervous, whether we were cooking for 30 students or 300. If the oven holding a ginormous prime rib burst into flames, she made a joke while I doused the flames with baking soda. If a soufflé collapsed she renamed it using a moniker that praised its density. When equipment failed, electricity went out, or students asked if they could substitute cottage cheese for butter, she carried on. Stories flowed. Laughter erupted. Wine poured.

Sue hornswoggled this delicious salad recipe from the chef at the Tate Museum in London in the early 80s. We were conducting a tour that included cooking classes in London, Florence and Venice. Joan Cromwell's Salad - 8 servings as a first course, 4 as a main course

Salad: 1 pound green beans, 1 cup golden raisins, 1/2 cup slivered almonds (toasted), 1/4 cup sweet pickle (diced), 1 teaspoon minced lemon zest, 1 pound cooked bay shrimp, 1 head butter lettuce (washed, separated into leaves) Vinaigrette: 1/4 cup white wine vinegar, 1/2 teaspoon salt and white pepper to taste, 1 teaspoon dry ground mustard, 1 tablespoon honey, 1/2 cup vegetable oil or extra-virgin olive oil

1. Trim beans and cut into 2-inch lengths. Fill a large pan or Dutch oven 3/4 full with water; bring to boil on high heat. Add beans to boiling water. Boil until barely tender, about 8 minutes. Drain and refresh with ice water. Drain. Wrap in clean kitchen towel. Refrigerate until chilled, or up to 2 days in advance.

2. In a large bowl, whisk vinaigrette ingredients together. Add beans and remaining ingredients except lettuce; gently toss. Taste and adjust seasoning if needed. Place lettuce "cups" on plates or serving platter. Divide salad among leaves and serve.

Cathy Thomas is an award-winning food columnist. She writes for Orange Coast Magazine and Orange County Register. She has lived in Huntington Beach for decades. Read more about her culinary escapades and sign up to receive her monthly e-newsletter at CathyThomasCooks.com, a website for food lovers and cook.

#### SeaGate Yacht Club

by Jackie Sands and SC Cindy Broz Allen



Event Host Jackie Sands with Mary Shebell.

On February 19, several diehard SeaGate Yacht Club partiers gathered, via Zoom, for a fun "Chocolate and Wine" online event.

Attendees enjoyed a beverage of their choice and SGYC event hosts Jackie



SeaGate Yacht Club "Chocolate and Wine" Zoom event attendees.

Sands and Craig Whitacre provided the Valentine themed chocolate. After some catching up on everyone's quarantine activities and some really funny jokes, we launched into a frenzied in-home scavenger hunt! What a blast. On the list were such items as; a Costco receipt, a flip phone, and a green crayon to name a few.

The hands down winner with all but one of the 25 items on the list was Mary Shebell and Merle McCormick. We had so much fun!

### **St. Bonaventure School**

by Vanessa Frei, Director of Marketing & Enrollment



Principal Kim White named "Top 5 Leader in Orange County" by Parenting OC Magazine.



Special "love notes" for congratulating Mrs. White on her being named a top 5 leader in Orange County.

#### Principal Kim White Named Top 5 Leader in Orange County by Parenting OC Magazine

In September, St. Bonaventure School opened with in person instruction for 80% of the school population while the remaining 20% followed from home in a ground breaking approach during this unprecedented time. As one of the few schools in California to re-open, it was an incredible achievement thanks to the inspirational leadership of Principal, Kim White. She was able to get faculty, staff, and families behind the mission of educating in a safe environment. In her 20+ years of education, there has been no

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greater challenge, and reward.

Kim White has been Principal of St. Bonaventure School for three years and Assistant Principal for four years prior. Mrs. White's motto is "there is no job too big or too small." This determination and drive has enabled students to succeed and thrive during a crisis. An innovative and creative re-opening plan completely reconfigured the campus to accommodate for five days of in-person instruction with social distancing and safety protocols. In addition to the logistic management, she created a synchronous classroom with virtual and in-person students. The use of SWIVL Robots, students at home are seen and heard live in the classroom and vice versa thus creating one greater classroom. To perfect the academic product further, Mrs. White changed the school's teaching methodology to a Blended Learning Model. This combines teaching methods of the traditional classroom, online learning, and has made instruction delivery effective. St. Bonaventure's achievements have made Mrs. White a leader among her peers with her guidance to other schools in the Diocese of Orange.

Tremendous dedication to the students, families, and employees of St. Bonaventure is inspirational.

While COVID has discouraged the world this year, it has also brought prominent rays of light. Mrs. White has been ensuring students grow academically, socially, and spiritually.



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### **Trinidad Ladies Club**

#### by Marilyn Schwartz

#### Hello Trinidad Island. We have Missed You all!

Now that Covid-19 is on the "down swing," we at TLC hope to have our meetings and events on the "upswing."

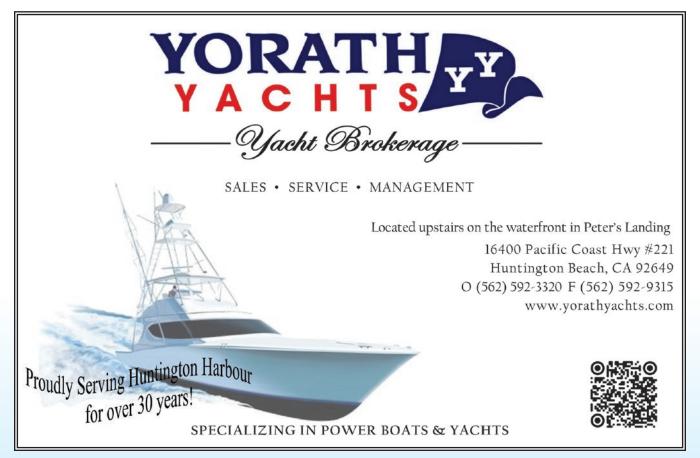
It's been hard on all of us. We've been sending our hearts and prayers out to you. Spring is here and Summer is fast approaching.

The three photos are from some of our previous meetings. Look for some current photos in the next Harbour Lights issue. If you'd like to learn about the Trinidad Ladies Club, contact VP Membership and Introduction of Guests, Debbie Cervantes at debcervantes@gmail.com. We would love to have you join us!

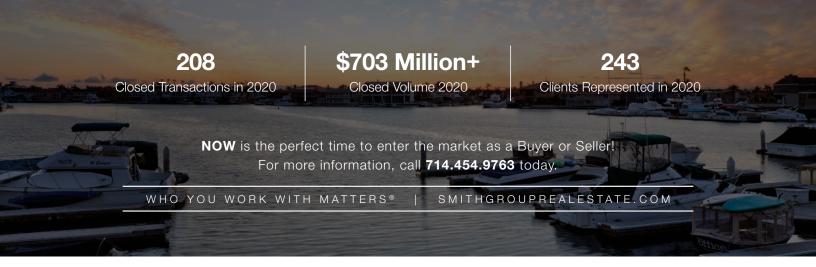








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Sold	9651 Flounder Dr	Huntington Beach	\$905,000	1/15/21	Seller/Buyer
Sold	2136 Bella Court	Costa Mesa	\$880,000	1/8/21	Seller
Sold	25076 Silverleaf Ln Unit 37	Laguna Hills	\$650,000	1/14/21	Buyer
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### **Huntington Harbour Art Association**

#### by Doreen Hill

We have quite the creative group! As with many other clubs, in-person meetings have had to be curtailed for over a year due to the pandemic. With the availability of the vaccine, members of the Huntington Harbour Art Association"s Fiber Arts group "Needles and Friends", (who have been vaccinated), met in March at Marsha Hendler's house for a St. Patrick's Day Gnome workshop. Linda Sackin taught the class and using socks, rice, beads, fabric, glue and some imagination St. Patrick's Day Gnomes came to life. This project can be customized to any holiday, so be on the lookout for more gnomes, as several attendees said they would be making more! It was so fun and easy-no sewing involved.

Huntington Beach Art Center is currently closed to visitors, but we encourage residents to support this gem in our city. Visit www. huntingtonbeachartcenter.org This year from January 30-March 20 the Art Center hosted their annual show called "Centered on the Center" virtually and featured 128 artists and 218 works of art. Kate Hoffman, Director of the H.B.A.C., and Brian, who brilliantly hangs the show, made a video talking about each piece of art and the artists. H.H.A.A. members Barbara Simone, Carol Langston, Nancy and Floyd Phillips have work in the show.

Some local art to also visit or view online is "The 25th Street Mosaic" (YouTube) in San Pedro near Patton Avenue by the Port of Los Angeles. The wall was created by Julie Bender ( see www.juliebendermosaics.com) with 300 local residents who volunteered many hours and includes an array of images and mementos designed to capture San Pedro's essence and history: whale barnacles and starfish painted with individual faces cutout houses labeled with family names and a flurry of historic collections portrayed on hand-painted clay tiles, decorative pins, buttons, medals, beads, mirrors, and broken china. ( March 2021 H.H.A.A. newsletter Arty Facts by Pam Smart)

We always welcome new members, whether you consider yourself an artist or not! For more information please call Nancy Phillips at (714) 595-2451 or Jean Erstling at (714) 614-1901.



L to R: Cindy Shaw, Gerry Reed, Pat McKenna, and Linda Sackin.



Karen People's, L to R: Kathleen Moore, Pam Smart, Marsha Hendler, and Doris Willis.



### Sea Isle Garden Club

by Carón Mount



Members gathered on Edinger last year, L to R: Sandy Atherton, Carón Mount, Carolyn Lloyd, Cathy Kelly, Mary Ann Brinket, Lucille Mascoli, Cindy Allen, Carolyn Platt, and Dorothy Ralphs. Below right: From 2018, a bee goes to work on a Matilija Poppy on the Edinger Parkway.

With life beginning to return to a new normal, we all hope to get back to spending time with those not in our own household. As more of us receive our vaccines, an outdoor event in April is a real possibility for the members of Sea Isle Garden Club. So we will plan to meet on our usual 2nd Wednesday in April, the 14th, at the home of Carón Mount, on the patio, hopefully in the sunshine at 11:00. Those not comfortable in person, can join in with Zoom.

We have many lost months of improvements we could have been making to improve the appearance of our neighborhood, especially the Edinger parkway. So if you wish to join us, give any of our members a call, or call Carón Mount for more information.



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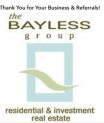


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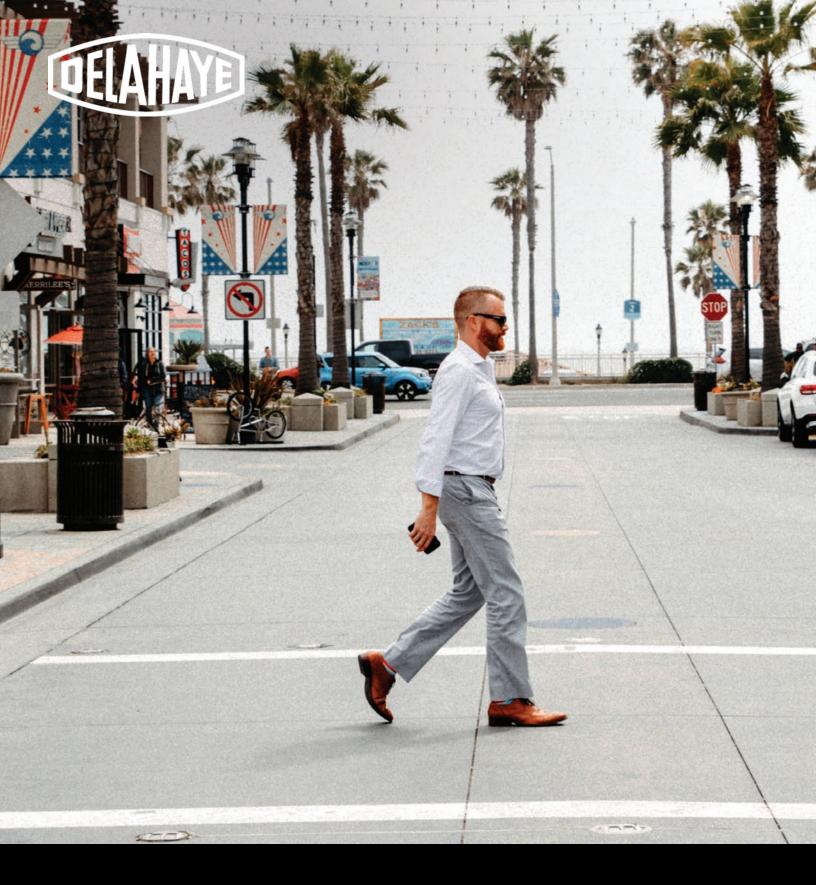


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### **Assistance League Huntington Beach**

by Diane Dwyer



Some of the Assisteens volunteers that helped during Action Week.

#### The Perfect Partnership for Assistance League, "Action! Week."

One of the key projects that Assistance League chapters nationwide participate in annually is "ACTION! Week." In honor of AL founder Anne Banning's birthday, "ACTION! Week" participants carry out their projects in various ways.

Many focus on literacy (which coincides with Dr. Seuss's birthday), some focus on alleviating hunger and others find different ways to make an positive impact on their community.

This year was a difficult one with challenges, but also new opportunities for

the ways to accomplish "ACTION! Week" in the current COVID-19 environment.

For ALHB, this was the perfect opportunity to partner with First Christian Church of Huntington Beach; a partnership which accomplished two significant ways of making a difference in our community...a drive thru food pantry addressing various needs of the community and a book giveaway addressing literacy. FCCHB's Drive Thru Food Pantry offered a variety of fresh produce, non-perishable food, staples such as dry goods, cleaning supplies, and more.



Assistance League preloaded bags with three books each and treats for kids from pre-k to six grade. Adult books were also available for the choosing. Over sixty families participated in the drive-thru. Two hundred thirty children's books and seventy adult books were given away. For AL, preparing for this event was a labor of love taken on by our book committee who sorted, bagged and boxed the books and for our Assisteens who distributed the books as cars came through. Our Assisteens made it fun by dressing in costumes. Assistance League PALS, our men volunteers, were key to transporting the books to the church and setting up for the day.

Our Commitment to Literacy, since 2013, as part of yearly literacy projects, we have donated over 25,000 books to schools, Boys & Girls Clubs in Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster, and, to our customers.

Throughout our 70th anniversary year, our chapter has been greatly affected by the pandemic reducing our ability to serve our customers and community program recipients as we have done pre-COVID. But, through it all we continued our focus on literacy by donating books to Ocean View School District, Boys and Girls Clubs of Huntington Valley, and other organizations.

ALHB is so proud of our commitment to literacy and thanks the organizations and individual donors who have helped us transform lives through books.

A little about FCCHB - First Christian Church of Huntington Beach has been a part of the community for over 100 years. Their members have done an amazing job of making the food pantry a success. They hold the food pantry every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month and would love to see community members participate. Nothing is required of participants. All are welcome. Learn more about First Christian Church HB on the web at www. fcchb.com.

How can you help us do more for our community?

- Participate in Treasures by the Sea<sup>®</sup> CIRCA 2021 Virtual fundraiser, April 7-10. For info, go to www.ALHB.org.
- Make a cash donation to ALHB through our website at www.ALHB.org.

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#### Huntington Harbour Garden Club by Doreen Hill

Floriography, the language of flowers, dates back many centuries, but the use of flowers was particularly popular during the Victorian era until WWI. The symbolism of flowers and thus their meanings, were codified so that complex thoughts and sentiments could be expressed discreetly by the giver of small nosegays or tussiemussies, as they were called, in the early nineteenth century. A renewed interest in the idea of sending not just a bouquet, but a bouquet expressing a specific sentiment using floriography, has again gained popularity.

An extensive resource to further explore is by Geraldine Adamich Laufer entitled "Tussie-Mussies, The Language of Flowers." Several photographs of examples of tussiemussies for all occasions are included. "Starting a New Garden," page 125 from "Tussie Mussies, The Language of Flowers" is the highlighted photo accompanying this article. Websites that include instructions on how to make a tussie-mussie and flower meanings, are www.hgtv.com, www. motherearthliving.com, and www. thelanguageofflowers.com.

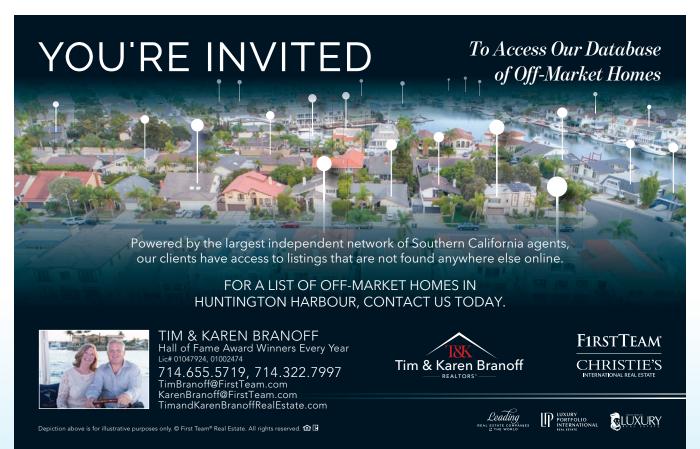
Another use of flowers may not come to mind immediately, but some are edible. Stephen Buchmann, a University of Arizona professor of Entomology and Ecology and a fellow of the Linnean Society of London has written a book entitled The Reason For Flowers- Their History Culture, Biology, and How They Change Our Lives. One chapter explores edible flowers. A list of the 10 most common edible flowers (p. 173-4): Calendula or pot marigold, Chives (purple chive flowers), Daylily, Mint, Nasturtium, Pansy, Rose, Sage, Signet marigold, and Squash blossoms.

As we prepare our spring gardens, perhaps we can plant some of these edibles in addition to herbs, vegetables, cut flowers, and bulbs. Spring ahead and discover new meaning in the world of flowers!



A sample from "Tussie-Mussies, the Language of Flowers" by Geraldine Adamich Laufer.

The Huntington Harbour Garden Club continues to meet virtually the third Tuesday of each month through June. For more information please call President-Doreen Hill (714) 878-3011, or Membership chair-Connie Mandic, at (714) 377-0017.



### **Kiwanis of Huntington Beach 60th Anniversary**

by Mike Heywood



Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach, 1961.

In the days before social media, networking with potential customers and partners entailed in-person conversations and snail-mail. Service organizations were a 20th Century phenomenon that helped main street merchants, bankers, school administrators, medical professions, and other white-collar employees, meet together for the purpose of networking.

Rotary was the first such organization. They were chartered in Chicago on February 23, 1905. Headquartered in Detroit, Kiwanis came along January 21, 1915. Lions was founded in Evansville, Indiana on October 10, 1917. All three expected that members would network for business development purposes while they performed good works in their communities. They were men's clubs until a consent decree in 1987 that enabled women to become members.

All three service clubs came to Huntington Beach over the years. The first was Rotary, that chartered a club in 1923. Second was Lions, who celebrated their 80th anniversary in 2018. They had their first meeting in town in 1938. It was another twenty-three years before Kiwanis had a presence in Huntington Beach. The City of Huntington Beach had a population of 11,492 residents in 1960. The smell of fresh lumber for houses, apartments, elementary schools, and strip malls, was everywhere. Trucks pouring concrete for "tilt-up" industrial and warehouse structures could be seen along newly created commercially zoned streets adjoining the new and ever-growing Hughes aerospace facility in north Huntington Beach. That population would grow dramatically to 116,000 by 1970!

In the sixties, men still wore suits to work. Television was black-and-white. All residential phone equipment was leased from "Ma Bell." Home phones were often shared "party-lines." Mom might pick up her cool pink phone to make an urgent call only to find that the line was already being used by a talkative teen in a neighbor's home.

March 23, 1961 was the first official meeting of the new Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach. Dr. Richard Kendall, a Santa Ana optometrist, was a Cal-Nev-Ha Kiwanis District Lt. Governor. He installed Denny Eichberg of Coast Realty as the President. Druggist Jim Haskell and Milton Berg were Vice Presidents. Lester "Peter" Peterson was installed as the first secretary treasurer. "Pete" Peterson was a contractor.

Clint Wright, Chief of Police, was one of the first luncheon speakers for the new club. He spoke on May 4, 1961 about controlling crime in the city. Norman Worthy spoke on May 9th. He gave a report on the state of recreation in Huntington Beach. Another program in 1961 featured Ken Moats, coach of the Huntington Beach High School Oilers. The highlight of his 10-year career was the team's 9 and 2 record when they won the league championship in 1966! Weekly luncheons still feature entertaining programs. The club welcomes prospective members to enjoy a free lunch while they experience the fellowship and energy that highlight their meetings.

The Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach has donated many hundreds of thousands of dollars to support charities in town. Partnering with the City, they operate programs for special needs students. The long-running Egg Hunt and Family Fun Day has entertained thousands of families with children. The Club's July 4th Pancake Breakfast has been a key part of the town's annual parade since the seventies. The Visit Huntington Beach website summarizes the value that Kiwanis brings to the community. "The club has been helping kids in Huntington Beach for 60 years. They believe in making a difference in the world, in the community, and in the life of a child. Along with clubs for adults, they offer clubs for kids in elementary, middle, high school, and even in college. There is also a club that gives developmentally disabled adults the opportunity to volunteer in their community. The Kiwanis Club believes everyone can benefit from helping others!"

Member and author Mike Heywood has written a book, Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach, 60 Years of Amazing Service 1961 to 2021, to memorialize their Diamond Anniversary. It is available of Kindle or in print on Amazon. All royalties will go to support the many worthy causes supported by the club.







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Adventure is out there! And, after a year of lockdown and quarantine, most of us are more than ready to pursue it as soon as it's safe to do so. Like many of our clients, we are avid travelers and eagerly anticipate our next trip. We especially enjoy cruising for both relaxation ("sea days" are our favorite) and for sport (we climbed Mt. Fuji after our last cruise). As with everyone else, all our travel plans were put on hold last year and we are anxious to set sail – again!

Are you ready to get back on a luxury cruise or even just a short ferry jaunt to Catalina Island? A surprising number of people, like us, are answering "yes."

According to the website CruiseMarketWatch. com, post COVID-19 sailings industry-wide began last month (March 1), and the cruise industry will resume its operations at roughly 50% capacity. The site expects the ships to reach 90% capacity by the end of the year, and after that the cruise ship market is projected to get back to being chronically overbooked.

However, the experience will evolve over the year(s). Under the new Cruise Passenger Protection Act, all cruise ships will be required to have a trained physician onboard, and they must install video cameras in all public places. New air filters and purification systems are being installed in the interior cabins on several lines, including Norwegian Cruise Line, Oceania Cruises and Regent Seven Seas.

In addition, passengers will be required to undergo testing before boarding the ship and before disembarking the ship at their final destination and fill out health screening questionnaires in advance of their trip (no word on vaccination requirements, yet). Face masks will be required onboard ships in all public spaces. Restaurant tables will be more spaced out, and crew members will serve guests at buffets, instead of the usual self-serve protocol. Perhaps most importantly, for the first part of the year at least, the Center for Disease Control has mandated that cruise sailings will be limited to no longer than seven days (ouch!) Also, if you were anticipating an Alaskan cruise this summer, you'll have to put that dream on hold until 2022 when Canada has said it will allow ships to sail its waters again.

It's possible that the booking data is misleading. Many cruise lines are allowing guests who book now for a cruise departing before December 31, 2021 to cancel up to 30 days before departure and receive a 100% credit good toward sailings through December 21, 2022. Some of the capacity may shift into next year if the pandemic is not under control by the summer months. More optimistically, as the pace of vaccinations accelerates, we can anticipate more folks booking those longed-for vacations.

We look forward to sharing stories of travel adventures with you, soon and if you'd like any help planning for them, we're here for you! After all, **we are Planners!** 

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### **Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee**

by Lara Anderson



HHPC Parliamentarian Patty Reilly accepting a \$40,000 check from super donors Sydney and Jim Doulames. To date, SE Pipe Line Construction has donated \$269,000 to keep music alive in schools!

Spring has sprung and it sure feels like we're all coming out of a lengthy hibernation this year! (Although aren't bears skinnier when they emerge?!) Well, we have to eat, and our Holiday Tamale fundraiser was so tasty and successful, raising over \$1400 for the Philharmonic Society of Orange County's Youth Music Programs, we decided to have another one for Cinco de Mayo. (That's May 5th for the uninitiated, which is the day after Star Wars Day, May the 4th .... be with you.) Look for the details inside this magazine for how to order or find the flyer online on our Facebook page: CruiseofLightsHHPC.

If you've been cleaning out your attics and garages and happened to find any musical instruments no longer in use, we'd love to have them for our Musical Instrument Scavenger Hunt. Donated instruments are refurbished by the Orange County Arts and Music organization, which passes them on to schools in need of instruments for their band programs. Youth music education continues to re-invent itself with new ways to play together, learn, and experience music online. The wonderful High School Orchestra Festival is scheduled to happen in a modified format on April 24th. Work is still ongoing on the virtual Music Mobile presentation, which will be featuring student musicians from the Colburn School in Los Angeles. Even after we are able to resume live interactions in schools, having the virtual program will enable us to reach more kids than ever before.

A highlight of the year for us at HHPC is presenting the reinvestment grants to local schools for their music programs. Typically, we do the check presentations in December during the Cruise of Lights<sup>®</sup> and hear from the school representatives attending about the music education at their school and the impact our grants have in funding their programs. The grants come from a percentage of our



fundraising efforts throughout the year. Despite all the challenges we faced in 2020, we were able to sustain a significant level of funding for our grants, with \$15,765 to put back into our local schools. (See our Parliamentarian Patty Reilly's article for more details.)

We can't thank our friends and neighbors enough for continuing to support us, especially during difficult times. As you can imagine, developing new programs and just keeping the lights on has a cost. We have been busy scheduling (and rescheduling) our usual annual fundraising events and are looking at ways to safely go forward with them if restrictions on gatherings are still in place. We are hopeful we will be able to have the Score on a High Note Golf Classic for Youth Music Programs on September 20, and perhaps some other in-person activities in the fall and winter. A new Committees-wide event going on now is the inaugural Rubber Ducky Regatta. You can adopt ducks until April 30 for the races to be held in May. More details on page X in the magazine or text the word "Ducky" to 41444 to receive a registration link.

Keep up with our latest news online, or even better, join one of the six HHPC groups and receive our monthly e-newsletter, invitations to events, discounts on concert tickets, and more. Ask your nearest HHPC member on how to join, or call our office in the Huntington Harbour Mall at (714) 840-7542.

### **Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Juniors**

by Rachel Helgeson & Elizabeth Henry



Avery Schaffner and Sophia Arendt, write notes of thanks to health care workers at local hospitals.

Learning to pivot has been one of the great lessons of the Pandemic. And that is what the HHPJuniors did earlier this year when we were compelled to once again change our annual fund raiser from an in-person fashion show to a virtual auction.

Auction items including a fantastic on trend Louis Vuitton tote, donated by Gail Sebring, were highly sought after. The auction-site also allowed us to spotlight our amazing class of graduating seniors



Juniors and their gratitude baskets. L-R Luke Helgeson, Evans Henry, Holiday Younger, Bianca DeView, Avery Schaffner, Sophia Arendt, Jack Helgeson, Adam Cargasacchi, and Junior to be, Bridget Younger.

with photos and bios.

Part of the goal of the HHPJuniors is to introduce our high school age members to the idea of ongoing community service. To that end, our members gathered in February to pack baskets of goodies for the staff at local hospitals.

Fully masked and working outside on a clear, sunny day, the young men and women put together items (generously donated by members of the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic). Then the oversize bins containing healthy treats, candy bars, hand lotions, lip balms, tea packets, and other beverages were delivered to Orange Coast Memorial, Fountain Valley Hospital, CHOC, and two Kaiser Medical Centers, Downy and Santa Ana the following week. Each basket also had hand written notes thanking the front line healthcare workers for their contribution to our society during this crisis.



### **HHPC: School Reinvestment Program**

#### by Patty Reilly, HHPC Parliamentarian



Marina High School choral check, L to R: Eric Graham, Marina High Director of Vocal Music, Brenna Orr, Marina High Interim Principal, Barbara Sentell, Co-Chairman HHPC.



Marina High School instrumental check, L to R: John McGilliam, Marina High Director of Bands, Brenna Orr, Marina High Interim Principal, Barbara Sentell, Co-Chairman HHPC.

Congratulations and thank you to all our wonderful members who through your dedication and commitment supported our fundraising activities, to our generous Donors whose gifts we received during the year, to The Rooster's and Wm. Ross Family Foundation for their Grant and to Jim Doulames for his generous yearly donation, we received \$15,765 for our reinvestment program.

Grant applications were emailed and mailed to nineteen schools in the Huntington Beach School District, Los Alamitos School District and Private schools. The committee received thirteen requests which we reviewed and were delighted to provide these schools with Grant Funds for their Music Education Department.

We continued to honor the requests for new instruments, funds to repair instruments and sheet music, but we were also delighted to also provide funding for schools that requested assistance in purchasing wireless portable PA systems. As a school wrote in their request "... due to the restrictions of Covid-19, we are having to make modifications to our program to meet CDC requirements. What this means in earnest is that we need to move outdoors".

Please continue to support all our fundraising activities, as this is how we earn our Reinvestment money.

#### Schools Receiving 2020 HHPC Music Reinvestment Grants

Harbour View Elementary School Huntington Beach High School Liberty Christian High School Los Alamitos High School, Marina High School Marine View Middle School McGaugh Elementary School Mesa View Middle School Seacliff Elementary School, Agnes L. Smith Elementary School The Youth Center-Los Alamitos Spring View Middle School

#### **HHPC:** Admiralty

#### by Grace Holdaway

The goal of Admiralty is to work for the children of Orange County fulfilling the need for music in the schools. We do this with many other HHPC groups by working the Music Mobile program and ushering at various events put on for the children. We also work at the various money raising events such as the Cruise of Lights and the House of Design or the Holiday House.

The Tamale sale was such a success in December we will be having another for Cinco de Mayo. Additional fund raising events will be the Duck Regatta with tickets going on sale in April.

Due to the Corona Virus quarantine the Grand Marshall Ball and the HHP Juniors Fashion Show has been postponed. Please watch for the new dates and support our group with your attendance.



L to R: Mary Busché, Michelle Brenner, and Carol Ventura.

Our new slate of officers was voted on and they will be inducted at the April meeting for Year 2021-2022.

Our meetings are every third Thursday of the month; the time and place changes. We would love to have you join our group. You will find new friends and have fun while helping our schools' music programs. Please contact our Membership Chair: Marie Edwards, (562) 900-8879 or email iamlove67@hotmail.com for meeting information. Located In Huntington Beach



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### **HHPC:** Islanders

by Cristi Ulrich



Islander Grand Marshall Eric Peterson and his Crew.

The Islanders had a Marvelous turn out for the boat parade with so many members (husbands and kids) participating. What a wonderful event to finish 2021. We would like to thank all our members starting with our Grand Marshall, Eric Peterson, what a wonderful job he did and more boats participating than we have seen in way too many years! Our Boat Parade Captains, Calvin Free and Paul Haase, kept it moving smoothly without interruption and how fun to see Calvin's cowboy hat each night! Thank you to our Night Captains, 6 of whom are Islander; Dave Spreakma, Norm Huniu, Shari Sneddon, Jeff Silver, Larry French and



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We have an amazing group – thank you to everyone for your support for The Boat Parade and for all the other events we are involved in. It takes a Village, and we have an amazing one!

Our group had a fun zoom meeting in February. It is traditionally our New Members Tea Month. This time, we wore our hats and enjoyed our "zooming" together. We talked about future opportunities for fund raising events and other Philharmonic news. We are all anxious to get back to our normal activities and continuing to support our students in their music education.

Our Juniors Liaison: Elizabeth Henry & Rachel Helgeson are excited to announce the news that the Juniors Fashion Show will happen this year. They were obliged to cancel the second try at hosting a Fashion Show, but the HHP Juniors are glad to confirm that "we will be setting sail on a virtual voyage the week of March 14 to 21." This online silent auction will showcase the graduating seniors and allow us to raise much needed funds for the Philharmonic. The gratitude baskets were very well received, and the hope is to bring treats of thanks to the frontline healthcare workers at several local hospitals, along with handwritten notes from our members. The Juniors put hampers together on February 21, in a physically distant way in Rachel Helgeson's garage. Thank you, ladies, for all your efforts and our Juniors for all their support.

There are many other activities back in the works for 2021. We hope to be able to resume the Cruise of Lights and get back together, in person!! In the meantime, thank you to all our members for your ongoing love and support. Stay Safe and Happy and Healthy!

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#### **HHPC: Marina Windjammers**

by Pamela Barthold



The Musical Martin Family! Lani Martin, the matriarch of the family brings a talented and famous musician to our Marina Windjammer meeting each month. We have been so lucky to enjoy the talents of Art Dragon, the former leader of the Disneyland band playing his trombone; David Witham, who was Barbara Streisand's musical director on her last tour playing his keyboard; and guitarist, Mike Higgins who has traveled with many bands and is the guitar teacher at CSULB. All are world class musicians! Lani is not just well connected in the music industry, but we have come to see that within her very own family there are talented, and famous musicians. Her husband and their three sons are accomplished musicians. Each son chose a different wind instrument and has mastered it to the point they have toured around the world with many of the "greats". Scott plays the saxophone, Andrew plays the trombone, and Stan, like his father, Dave, plays the trumpet. Scott Martin played with the Poncho Sanchez Latin Jazz Band for over 14 years. While performing with them, the band received two nominations and won a Grammy for Best Latin Jazz Performance. They also won two Billboard Music awards. Scott has recorded with Ray Charles, Billy Preston, Sam Moore, Mongo Santamaria and many other Jazz & soul greats. Additionally, he is the saxophonist for the iconic 70's band WAR, performing and touring, playing their many hits including: 'Low Rider', 'Cisco Kid', 'Why Can't we be friends', and 'The World is a Ghetto'. He now has his own band!

Andrew Martin played in the orchestras on more than 350 major motion pictures, most notably the trombone solo on the opening credits on "Monsters. Inc.". On the Pixar film "Soul" he played the trombone solos by "Connie", the young middle school trombonist. While he played, they animated his actual movements. You also heard his trombone solos in the recent hit films "Lalaland" and "Life of Pets 1 & 2". In addition to his movie accompaniments, he played in the Jazz Minors for two years at Disneyland, toured with Lou Rawls, Joe Walsh, Paul Anka, Poncho Sanchez, Les Brown, Gordon Goodwin's Big Phat Band and Bill Holman, to name a few.

Stan Martin has a musical resumé equally as long as his brothers. As the lead trumpet he was the featured soloist for Barry Manilow's world tour 1999-2002, appeared on the tonight show with Jay Leno, and on Good Morning America. The world tours of Tom Jones, Donna Summers and Poncho Sanchez featured him, as well. He has written and arranged seven albums and has been on Soul Train.

How did these three brothers begin their careers in music? By watching and listening while their famous dad, Dave Martin, and a few of his friends had jam sessions in their basement at home. While he was jamming, the brothers sat in a corner and listened to them play, tell jokes, laugh, sing and always have a great time. Their dad started to take them to the concerts he was performing, and they fell in love with music. They loved playing with their father, as they did quite often. He was the reason they kept going, as well as the satisfaction of learning new things all the time.

Their dad Dave fell in love in high school, not just with music but with their mom, Lani. They both went to the University of Michigan where Dave earned a music Degree and Lani played the violin. They went on to University of Colorado and Dave earned a Master's of Music degree. After college they settled in the Bay area and started a music camp called Hayward La Honda Music Camp, which still exists today. At first their sons were observers, then campers, then counselors, then faculty. They still attend if they are in the area and love to sit in on a jam session or 2. Dave and Lani still contribute financially for a scholarship each year to a lucky student or 2 to experience the amazing music camp. This year the camp couldn't meet so they held it over zoom for a true jam session with all 3 brothers and Dave!

### **HHPC:** Sandpipers

#### by Lolly Mchardy

2021 is here and the Sandpipers look forward to a great year! We are excited to be able to get back to some sort of normalcy. We are hoping to be able to start our fundraising again, like Holiday Boutique, and Cruise of Lights.

Sandpipers are sad to say goodbye to one of our members, Co-President Teri Adams. She wants to spend more time with her grandkids. Her dedication and her service was outstanding! She always went over and beyond her capabilities.

The Sandpiper's are one of the six groups that comprise the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee. If you are interested in joining the Sandpipers, please call Tricia Pratto at (714) 614-5396 or email her at: inthepink1031@ gmail.com for more information.



Sandpipers at one of their past meetings

### **Attention Boaters: Changes to Anaheim Bay Small Craft Channel**







#### New Channel Configuration

In late January 2021, a new civilian public navigation channel opened in Anaheim Bay. The old civilian boat channel has become restricted and no longer available for public use. The new channel will keep traffic leaving Huntington Harbour for the ocean off of Naval Weapons Station property. In addition to the changes to the channel, a new ammunition pier is also being constructed. More information can be found on the project at: http://bit.ly/anaheimbay

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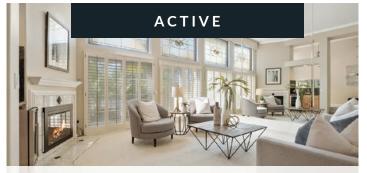
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