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# Active Living Expo

by Huntington Beach Council on Aging



## ACTIVE LIVING EXPO

### Age Friendly Expo Offers New Insight Into Aging Services

Huntington Beach is a "Great Place to Age." The upcoming Active Living Expo event at the Senior Center in Central Park (18041 Goldenwest St) is certainly a reflection of that. This free event will take place on Saturday, September 16, 2023, from 10am – 1pm. Over a thousand people attended last year's event, featuring over 80 vendors and resources, including City services, as well as groups representing the Center.

Finding new ways to explore aging, the Expo will provide information from a large swath of the aging community. This year's title sponsor is Hoag Hospital, one of the Center's major stakeholders. Other major sponsors include MemorialCare Physicians Group, Greater Newport Physicians, SCAN Health Plan, Optum/Anthem Blue Cross, and Bennett Acupuncture Inc. Returning groups include Doctor Peggy Inc., the Huntington Beach Assistance League DreamCatchers, Syrentis Clinical Research, Huntington Beach Symphony Orchestra, and the Center's personal training contractors, Always in Motion.

The Senior Center, in Central Park, continues to serve up to 600 seniors daily



with a new line-up of classes, activities, events, including a lunch program three times a week. Movies twice a month attract an average of 150 people. The Senior Center also serves seniors in the community, providing care management, home delivered meals, and free transportation to seniors in Huntington Beach.

Proceeds from the Expo help to support many of the benefit programs offered through Social Services. Funds also help the HBCOA present its lineup of concerts and dances, both highly popular in the community. City staff and volunteers are always available to answer questions regarding the many programs and services offered through the Center. For more information, please call the Senior Center at (714) 536-5600.

Help celebrate Active Aging! A DJ will provide a soundtrack to the event, while guests sit and relax or eat lunch.

Food will be available from Baby's Burgers as well as shaved ice and other snacks available for purchase.

The event is possible thanks to the strong partnership between the City of Huntington Beach and the Huntington Beach Council on Aging and major sponsor, Hoag Hospital.

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# Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee

by Pamela Barthold



HHPC 2023 Board.

As this season's Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee (HHPC) comes to a close after a fabulous year of fundraising and volunteering, we are looking forward to a very eventful next season!

The HHPC had a wonderful celebration at our annual installation luncheon held on May 11th at Spaghetini's Grill in Seal Beach, arranged by Trinidad member Linda Axel. Co-Chairs Marlene Nielsen & Kim Weddon thanked their hard-working 2022-23 board and incoming Chairman Lauren Claus welcomed her 2023-24 board. With Lauren at the helm and her powerful board of Madeline Fields, Kim Weddon, Marlene Nielsen, Barbara Sentell, Charmaine Rood, Pamela Barthold, Karen Ridout, Lolly McHardy, Jeanie Gibson, Maggie Van Eck, Jill Wicke, Susan Qaqundah, Roni Fell, Sharon Larson, Elizabeth Henry, Kathy Barrett, Louise DuBos, Val Miles, Jeff Silver, Suzanne Baird and Elizabeth Larripa. It will be a year of many volunteering opportunities and fun events. We hope you will come out and join us or better yet come be a part of the Philharmonic volunteers, we would love to have you part of our team!

We were well represented at Huntington Beach's 119th annual 4th of July parade with our Music mobile driven by Madeline Fields and Mike McHardy. Marching the 2.5 miles with the Music Mobile was Lolly McHardy,

Kim Weddon, Lisa Weller, Robin Gray-Hite, Peter Van Der Mark, Dawn Lentz and Jerry Lentz. They had so much fun representing the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee amongst the many celebrities and city officials!

Kicking off the year of fabulous events will be the 3rd Annual "Score On a High Note" Golf Classic scheduled for September 18 at Aliso Creek Country Club. The event is co-chaired by Karen Ridout and Toni Sobel and honorary co-chaired by Joanne Fernbach and Bobbitt & Bill Williams. REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN. You don't have to be a Philharmonic member to play – all are welcome to sign up as a foursome or individually. Or you can just purchase a ball for the big ball drop to win an amazing prize and support the Philharmonic Society of Orange County. It's a fun filled day for all! Email [pattyreilly@mindspring.com](mailto:pattyreilly@mindspring.com) for more information.

If you are interested in being an event sponsor, contact Kim Weddon at [kweddon@aol.com](mailto:kweddon@aol.com).

Next on the calendar will be our 16th annual Holiday Boutique which is happening on Friday, October 6 and Saturday, October 7 at Huntington Harbour Place. Get a jump on your holiday shopping from over 25 awesome vendors selling unique gifts items ranging from jewelry, clothing, gourmet vinegars and olive oil, and health and wellness products. You can

purchase opportunity drawing tickets for incredible prizes too!

Mark your calendars for December 16-23 for our highly anticipated HHPC Cruise of Lights® Join us for a narrated boat tour and experience the beauty of thousands of lights and animated displays on brightly decorated homes, decks, docks and boats. HHPC presents the boat parade December 9-10 as our thank you to residents for decorating for Cruise of Lights®, the largest fundraiser benefitting Philharmonic Society's youth music education programs, offered free of charge to elementary through high school students. We are thrilled to announce our Grand Marshal for this year's boat parade is Weikko Wirta celebrating the theme of The Power of Music! We are hoping you will all come out and decorate your homes thematically to celebrate the Grand Marshal Weikko Wirta, the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee and the holiday season!

We are excited to move full speed ahead raising funds for youth music education. Keep up with all our latest news on Facebook at [cruiseoflightshhpc](https://www.facebook.com/cruiseoflightshhpc) or Instagram at [@cruiseoflights](https://www.instagram.com/cruiseoflights). Join one of the six Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Groups! For more information or how to join, call our office in the Huntington Harbour Place at (714) 840-7542.



# HHPC: Islanders

by Cristi Ulrich



Islanders at the 4th of July Parade.

We kicked off the season with a meeting and luncheon at the fabulous home of Kim Willingham. We are all so thankful for her hospitality. There are so many events happening and in the planning stages and the Islanders are thrilled to back at it in full force and supporting the Philharmonic and our Children's music education. As a 50 year member of Islander, Jo Andrews was commended for her generous contributions of time, talent and steadfastness to the Philharmonic through the years. She is one of several members who have reached this

landmark and we could not be prouder. We are looking forward to 2 summer events: once again participating in the Huntington Beach Fourth of July Parade, and attending the Concert in the Park at Harbour View Park.

This month we would like to share the story of one of most cherished Islander members, Marlene Nielsen. She has been a member since 1994 when she attended the New Member Islander Tea. She immediately knew that this cause was meant for her and her first job for the Islanders was Treasurer which she

chaired for 6 years! She immediately got busy working on several projects, but her favorite is the Cruise of Lights® where she has been the leader or a member of the CORE TEAM for 27 years. As we all know this is no easy task and her dedication to earning money to support the Philharmonic is admirable to say the least!

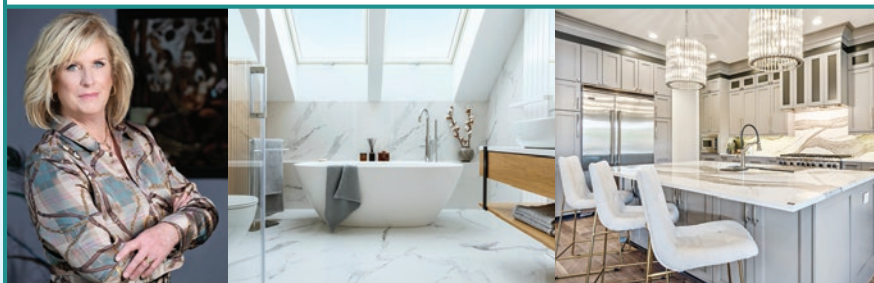
Marlene has been instrumental in several leadership roles within the organization. She was president of the Islanders twice, and HHPC Co-chairman in 2022/23. Marlene was also President of The Committees of the Philharmonic Society of Orange County 2017-2018 and served on the Society Board for three years. In 2018 she was presented a Commendation by the City of Huntington Beach and recognized for her work the Philharmonic Society of Orange County and Huntington Harbour Cruise of Lights®. Extremely impressive credentials. She is always heavily involved with HHPC fundraisers including the Huntington Harbour Holiday Boutique, all county-wide fundraisers, and she headed up the successful Purses Plus event in 2022.

Marlene is passionate about sharing the importance of inspiring people of all ages in our community with great music education. Finally, she was honored and Volunteer of the Year for the HHPC and in 2018 Marlene was a nominee for Woman of the Year for a local organization call Something More. She is well known and respected in Orange County for her philanthropic endeavors.

Marlene is married to Chris who has also donated hours and energy to the Huntington Harbour Cruise of Lights®. He is always by her side and ready to help with all her projects and commitments to the Philharmonic. They have 2 sons and they have worked as Lieutenants in the Huntington Harbour Boat Parade. It is women like Marlene and wonderful families like hers that year after year make this organization prosper, grow, and support Children's music programs throughout Orange County. We applaud Marlene's continuing dedication, and we are grateful that she became an Islander and continues with us! After all, the Islanders are a family and Marlene is an integral part.



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# HHPG: Marina Windjammers

by Pamela Barthold



*Sequoia Academy receives a reinvestment check thanks to the efforts of our members.*

Marina Windjammers are excited for this year's new board and all the amazing events they will be volunteering for! As President of Marina Windjammer's, Pamela Barthold is thrilled to have an exuberant team to support her and the Philharmonic Society as they raise money for the youth music education programs. Parliamentarian–Karen Ridout, VP Cruise of lights & Special Projects Boutique Chair–Jill Wicke, Assistant cruise of lights–Linda Halopoff, VP annual fund–Barbara Sentell, VP membership/hours–Maggie van Eck, VP public Relations–Pamela Barthold, VP Boat Parade–Roberta Swain, Recording Secretary–Ruth Roe, Corresponding Secretary–Susie Sampson, Treasurer–Sherry Skerik, Grand

Marshal Event–Joanne Fernbach, Music Education & Music Mobile–Coralie Prince, Music Education Ushering–Carlone Herman, Hospitality–Bobie Spiegel. We have several key positions open and would love to have you join our fun and adventurous team! Call Pam or Maggie if you would like to be a part of the Philharmonic Society of Orange County!

Volunteering all year to raise money for the children's music programs and being a docent in any one of them, is very rewarding, especially when we can present the checks in person to the music students and their teachers. Roberta and Todd Swain presented a reinvestment check in December to Sequoia Academy.



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# HHPC: Trinidad

by Patty Reilly



Summer is here and our group is enjoying a little time off (very little) to enjoy the summer with family and friends. Before we started our summer break, we made two ceremonial reinvestment check presentations. Pam Myers, Sharon Courtway and Patty Reilly presented to St. Bonaventure a check for \$625 prior to their performance of Frozen preformed before family and friends (*photo above*).

This was the first use of their reinvestment grant that was used to purchase Mic Packs for their Plays and Musicals. The following week Pam Myers and Patty Reilly presented to Marine View Middle School a ceremonial check of \$1,000 again prior to a performance by their school Band performed before family and friends. Marine View grant request was to supplement funding to purchase

repertoire for performances. As we all know it is through the hard work and dedication of all HHPC members with their fundraising skills and contributions to our various fundraising programs that help earn reinvestment money to share with the schools in our area.

PSOC held their annual meeting and installation at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club. During the recognition part of the meeting the following Trinidad members were recognized for their years of service: 15-year Certificate of Service to Mark Arizmendi; 35 years of service pins to: Linda Cohen, Deborah Fairon, Craig Ferguson, Mary Lund, Kay Nelson, and Doris Willis. Trinidad's Volunteer of the year Patty Reilly was also recognized. We are very proud of the enthusiasm and dedication of the above-mentioned members, congratulations to all of you!

Of course, Trinidad isn't all work and no play we are planning a summer brunch for new members and are looking forward to the 3rd Annual Golf Classic "Score on a High Note" September 18th at Aliso Viejo Country Club - Trinidad has entered to date 3 foursomes and looking for more golfers or volunteers the day of the tournament if you are interested or need more information contact Patty Reilly email [pattyreilly@mindspring.com](mailto:pattyreilly@mindspring.com). If you're new to the area or a long-time resident interested in joining a lively group of your neighbors in support of a good cause, please come check us out! Contact the lovely Ellen Martin at [ellenin Huntington@yahoo.com](mailto:ellenin Huntington@yahoo.com). She'd love to tell you all about us!



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# HHPC: Sandpipers

by Lolly McHardy



Our 4th of July crew!

“Thank you” to Dawn and Jerry Lentz, Robin Grey-Hite, Kim Weddon, Madeline Fields, Lolly McHardy, Pieter Van De Mark, Mike McHardy, and Lisa Roselinsky Weller for joining us for the Huntington Beach 4th of July parade. The biggest parade West of the Mississippi.

Our annual “Concert in the Park” will be held on Sunday, August 13th from 4:30 to 6:30 at the Harbour View Park. Friends and neighbors will join us for great music, food and great fun.

Several of our members went to Nicole Stewart’s house on July 17th for a fun evening of Bunco.

Our first meeting will be on Thursday, September 21st, at the home of Donna Mistry. At this meeting we will begin to get our members to sign up to volunteer for our upcoming events. Our October Meeting will be at the Haunted Halloween home of Teri Feterik.



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*See you there!*



# HHPC: Admiralty

by Charmaine Rood



(L-R) Gail Sebring, Charmaine Rood, Jackie Sands and Barbara Howland.



(L-R) Barbara Larson, Charmaine Rood, Barbara Howland, Grace Holdaway, Jackie Sands, Roxanne Talley and Gail Sebring.

Corona Del Mar – Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club – The Committees of the Philharmonic Society held their Annual Meeting and Installation Luncheon honoring members for their years of service. Admiralty Group was one of the six groups present representing the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee. It was a lovely afternoon with the presentation of the Philharmonic Society Committees 2023-2024 Board of Directors and networking with members from the other committees throughout Orange County. Interested in becoming a member of a special organization? Call Jackie Sands (714) 791-8716.

Seal Beach – Walt’s Wharf – The first Admiralty Board meeting of our 2023 – 2024 fiscal year. We have our master calendar for all of the events that have been presented to us. Each board member has been given their area of responsibility for this coming year. We are looking forward to another productive and fulfilling year supporting the Philharmonic Society’s Youth Music Education Programs. To help our members be better prepared for the planned autumn fundraising events, after the long summer break, our first group meeting will be the 3rd Thursday of August. We invite you to join us. Call Jackie Sands (714) 791-8716.

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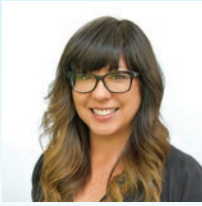
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# Coexisting With the Wild Things

by Tammy Asaki, Photographer

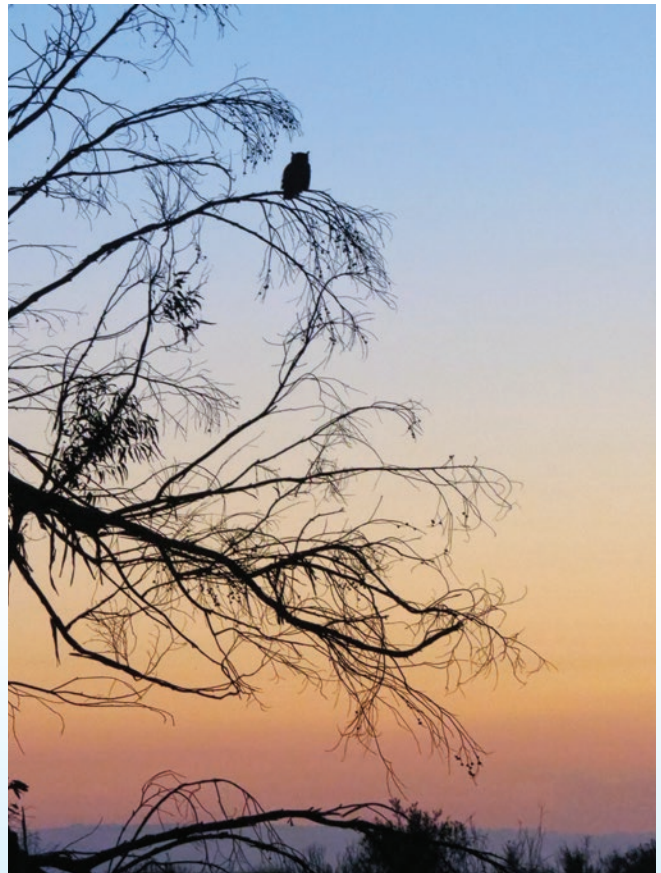
As the light wanes at the Bolsa Chica Wetlands, I hear the soft hoot of a Great Horned Owl floating on the wind as it calls out to its mate. I see that distinctive silhouette against the darkening sky and I think to myself that it is such an honor to be in the presence of these creatures as they ready themselves for a night of hunting. To observe wild things in their natural state is a beautiful and rare gift. Dear friends and neighbors, we can consider ourselves incredibly lucky to have access to true wildlife here in our city. We have the Bolsa Chica Wetlands, HB Central Park, and a whole coastline of beaches at our fingertips. These places are home to countless wild things.

I am a photographer and nature lover and I visit the Bolsa Chica Wetlands Ecological Reserve regularly. Most people I meet on the trails appreciate the balance of coexisting with nature and wildlife but unfortunately many do not. A few gentle reminders: We never want to linger too long or get too close to wildlife. When birds are hunting and get flushed out by humans or dogs, we have interfered with it getting a meal or feeding its babies. We don't want to bait (feed) wild things to get them to come closer. Feeding interferes with instinctual hunting behavior and habituates them to humans. We don't want to play bird or coyote recordings to manipulate behavior. It is very stressful and confusing for them. They may leave nests unattended or come out of safety to investigate a presumed intruder. We never want to use flash photography on animals. Flash can especially disturb sensitive owl eyes causing stress and momentary blindness putting it in danger. And ultimately the bigger picture is that we want to keep the natural ecosystem in order by protecting all of its players.

The way I see it, our local urban wildlife is a gift but it also comes with a certain amount of responsibility. Part of this responsibility involves being an ethical and safe wildlife watcher and combining common sense and courtesy out in nature. I think the key thing is to remember that the wild things are not here for our entertainment. They have complex lives of courtship, nesting, finding meals, keeping themselves safe and caring for their young, just like we do. When we enter the reserve, or any natural area, we are essentially visiting them in their home and need to be considerate. I am an advocate of practicing and promoting respectful, enjoyable, and thoughtful wildlife viewing and ethical photography and I'm deeply grateful for all of the nature surrounding us in Huntington Beach

These shots are the Great Horned Owls hunting at sundown.

I teach a community ed class through Huntington Beach Adult School called "Photographing the Bolsa Chica Wetlands" The next class will be in October. Use the QR code to register!







# Drop biscuits are heavenly. I'd forgotten.

by Cathy Thomas, [CathyThomasCooks.com](http://CathyThomasCooks.com)

Watching Chef Lidia Bastianich cooking on PBS TV fired up a long ago drop-biscuit memory. On the show, she reminisced about learning to make appetizers in her junior high school cooking class. White bread slathered with mayo, topped with sliced pimiento-stuffed olives, and rolled into a log; wrapped in cling wrap and chilled, they were cut into crosswise slices. She thought they were splendid.

I closed my eyes and remembered the joy I felt making drop biscuits, my first culinary experience in eighth grade "Home Ec." The browned crisp edges of the divots and gentle peaks of the uneven tops created such an appealing contrast with the soft buttery interiors. Enjoy.

*Cathy Thomas is an award-winning food writer and has authored three cookbooks: "50 Best Plants on the Planet," "Melissa's Great Book of Produce," and "Melissa's Everyday Cooking with Organic Produce." For more than 30 years, she has written about cooking, chefs, and food trends. She was the first newspaper food journalist to pioneer taping how-to culinary videos for the Web. [CathyThomasCooks.com](http://CathyThomasCooks.com)*

## SIMPLE DROP BISCUITS (YIELD: 8-9 BISCUITS)

### Ingredients

- (2) 2 cups all-purpose flour
- (1) tablespoon baking powder
- (1) teaspoon kosher salt (see cook's notes)
- (1) 1 teaspoon granulated sugar
- (10) tablespoons cold unsalted butter - cut into cubes
- (¾) cup whole milk, plus 1 to 2 tablespoons, if needed

### Cook's Notes

Often I only have salted butter on hand. If using salted butter, I use ½ teaspoon salt instead of 1 teaspoon. A pastry blender is a big help in Step 2. It's a gizmo made of narrow metal wires attached to a handle and is used by pressing down to break butter into small pieces.

### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Heat the oven to 400 degrees. Line a rimmed baking sheet with parchment paper.
2. In a large bowl, whisk together flour, baking powder, salt and sugar (I like to use a batter bowl, a large bowl with a handle – I use the bowl to my Kitchen Aid stand mixer.) Using a pastry blender or two knives, cut the butter into the flour mixture until it is the texture of coarse meal with some pea-size pieces of butter.
3. Stir in the milk using a fork, until just evenly moistened, adding 1 or 2 more tablespoons, if necessary (you don't want the dough too wet). Scoop dough into 8 or 9 rough mounds (about 1/3-cup each) and place them on the prepared sheets. Bake the biscuits until golden brown and a toothpick inserted into the center comes out with moist crumbs attached, about 20 minutes.





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# Assistance League of Huntington Beach

by Cathy Werblin



*DreamCatchers "Groceries for Seniors" program helps our communities most at-risk seniors.*



*Assisteens preparing holiday gifts for Project Self-Sufficiency participants.*

## **Auxiliaries are Important Too**

In addition to the myriad of work done by regular chapter members of the Assistance League of Huntington Beach, two auxiliaries are contributing to the organization and the community in their own ways.

Sixty members of the Dreamcatchers and thirty Assisteens work to support philanthropies they have chosen, and spend many hours in the thrift shop and back room helping raise funds to provide for their charities.

This year the Dreamcatchers are celebrating their 30th anniversary as an ALHB auxiliary, with four original members still in the ranks. The group was started by professional women who couldn't commit to a full-time schedule in the shop and couldn't make the morning monthly meetings. The chapter agreed to create the auxiliary and in 1993 it was given a charter by the national organization. Members Frauke Tsuneyoshi, Martha Nishida, Linda Eide and Ann Harvey were original members and continue to participate 30 years later.

Like ALHB, the Dreamcatchers support local philanthropies including Save Our Seniors, the Alzheimer's Family Center in Huntington Beach, Silver Anchor, the Therapeutic Riding Center of Huntington Beach and participate with Operation School Bell. With Save Our Seniors, the group works with case managers at the senior center to help address the needs of low income or homebound seniors and enhance their quality of life. They provide gift bags with grocery cards and transportation cards, and also purchase and help install safety equipment in seniors' homes.

Similarly, the Dreamcatchers provide items needed to help care for people at the Alzheimer's Family Center, including such items as medical grade loungers and shower chairs. Silver Anchor, originally an ALHB philanthropy that the Dreamcatchers took over, supports 50 mentally impaired adults affiliated with Huntington Beach Hospital's out-patient program and provides holiday gifts, gift cards and other items. Most recipients are in board-and-care facilities and have little income so are grateful for Walmart, Target or other gift cards.

The auxiliary also gives scholarships to students at the Therapeutic Riding Center, offering 50 to 75 percent off a 10-week riding session. They also provide scholarships for veterans attending the police academy at Golden West College Regional Criminal Justice Training Center.

Another auxiliary, the Assisteens, have been working with ALHB since 1961 and contribute to their own philanthropic programs. Students in grades 7-12 from Westminster, Huntington Beach and Fountain Valley schools who want to Make a Difference, gain leadership skills, and perform community service make up this group. They support Project Self Sufficiency by providing gifts for children to give their parents during the annual Christmas party and help them make cards to go with the gifts. They also work with Project Self Sufficiency by providing 'Birthday in an Envelope' for families, which helps single parents celebrate their children's birthdays. In addition, they support single parents

and emancipated Foster kids through Golden West College's EOPS program. You can also find the Assisteens helping out at our annual Treasures by the Sea fundraiser or lending a hand in the Thrift Shop. There are additional community service opportunities throughout the year including beach clean-ups and other volunteer events. Students are asked to volunteer at least 30 hours in a school year and many students go far beyond those hours. Once they join the organization, many stay for the remainder of their high school careers. The organization also stresses leadership skills, poise and skills with working with the public. The hours students work can also count as community service hours for schools, churches and other organizations.

Members of both auxiliaries MAKE A DIFFERENCE with their contributions in the community and their work in the ALHB thrift shop and back room, and the auxiliaries receive a percentage of the monthly income for the hours worked. The Dreamcatchers also do independent fundraising and provide the baskets for auction at the annual fundraiser, for which they receive a percent of the monies raised.

We welcome new members to the Assistance League Huntington Beach and our two auxiliaries any time. If you want to learn more about joining our Chapter, the Dreamcatchers or Assisteens, or if you know someone else who might be interested, you can get information by visiting our website at [www.ALHB.org](http://www.ALHB.org).





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# Sea Isle Garden Club

by Lolly McHardy

On May 23rd we met with the City of Huntington Beach Landscape Services to finalize our plans for the Edinger pathways. Work will begin soon and our Edinger pathways will be beautiful!

Our installation Tea will be held on September 13th at the Bonaire clubhouse where our new board will be installed! Cathy Kelly is our new Vice President nomination! We can then do our event planning for the following year.



*Caron Mount and Lolly McHardy with Becky Castilo (not pictured) with City and Evolution!*

# Flying Dutchman Guild of Segerstrom Center for the Arts

by Ellen Goodwin, Publicity



*Kathy Thomas, Mike Nielsen, and Mary Shebell.*

The Flying Dutchman Guild is a Couples Chapter in support of the Segerstrom Center for the Arts. They are committed to the musical success both on and off the stage. The award winning music education program welcomes thousands of students annually to experience interactive performances by our Orange County Youth Symphony and connect students with visiting orchestras, ensembles and guest artists.

The group recently appointed new board members to fill out positions for the coming year. Dorothy Ralphs is our newly elected President to lead the group - Judy Ross is continuing as Membership Chair - Hospitality and Ways and Means is Susan Qaquandah and Carryl Hytopoulos - Treasurer is Weikko Wirta - Publicity Co-Chairs are Ellen Goodwin and Mary Lund and Parliamentarian is Carryl Hytopoulos.

Contact Judy Ross at (562) 418-1044 if you are interested in joining our group. We welcome you.



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# Seagate Yacht Club

by Michael Dix



*Seagate Yacht Club Sea Cruise Formal.*

In recent months, Seagate Yacht Club members have been found doing some cruising, first in the tranquil waters of the Mexican Riviera, then the more familiar waterways of our own Huntington Harbour, and in-between they even managed to do a little horsing around!

After our exuberant Opening Day celebrations, members needed a break, so a cool 30 of us boarded the newly renovated Carnival Radiance on May 19 for a 3-night cruise. After first posting the club flag on their stateroom doors, the group continued decorating the common passageways until they looked like Mardi Gras meets Vegas, then went on to enjoy a festive Sail-a-Way, followed by many enjoyable activities, tasty meals and casual sea-day times together. We have no official word from the fleet surgeon yet, but there were no reported cases of whiplash from having Saturday's dressy Formal Night so close to the Pappas & Beer Fiesta frivolities in Ensenada on Sunday. Unrelated to any betting members did in the ship's casino, the club collectively gambled on a return visit to Los Alamitos Race Track for a Night at the Races. This is a yearly favorite for SGYC, and though nobody gets too serious about winning or losing on the horses, the competition for Best Hat is downright feverish! Throw in a fantastic buffet dinner and a beautiful twilight, and our evening of merrymaking with the mares took win, place and show! Finally, there's been some simple socializing with friends and neighbors. That's what happens on Tuesday Cruzin', when members car & boat-pool to Peters Landing for dinner together at one of

our local eateries on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month in summer. Join us? But wait, there's more! On July 30th there's our Duffy Brunch, when members in Duffy boats Jungle-Cruise to the Huntington Harbor Yacht Club for a buffet on the bay, then, on Saturday, August 19, SGYC will be hosting our

annual summer block party, Summer Luv'n. This Endless Summer meets Woodstock event never disappoints, and this year it's roaring back with plenty of food, fun, music, excitement and even a mini car show. Want to know more about SGYC? Check out our newly updated website, [www.SeagateYachtClub.com](http://www.SeagateYachtClub.com).



*2023 Night at the Races winners circle.*



*2023 Night at the Races event hosts and family.*



# Sea Belles of the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club

by Cindy Barlow, Ships Hailer

On May 3, our May Sea Belles Luncheon presentation was a clothing/fashion show by the new “cabi” (also known as the “CABI,” “Cabi,” and “Carol Anderson by Invitation” brands). Sea Belle Katie Fortier introduced Janae Bradaric, who presented her impressive line of beautiful clothing showcasing our own Sea Belles as models. During the Luncheon, new Sea Belles member Laurie Andrews presented long-time member

Jo Andrews with a beautiful bouquet of flowers for her birthday. The ladies of Sea Belles also enjoyed a variety of other activities during May and June.

The Sea Belles have several additional fun events planned for this year. Ladies, if you would like to attend fun luncheons, which include a special presentation, as well as other Sea Belles events throughout the year, you are cordially invited to join HHYC and the Sea Belles!




Janae Bradaric of Cabi, with Katie Fortier





A few Sea Belles aboard Paul and Kathy De Salvo's yacht, Bello Giorno



Jo Andrews with her beautiful Birthday Bouquet.



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# Harbour Rod and Reel Club

by Mark Mettler

Bluefin tuna in local waters have been the big story over the last several years. The presence of these big fish hasn't been seen like this in a century. The big question is for how long will it last? These fish were a fairly common sight of Catalina Island at the turn of the century, but then moved on to different areas.

Each year during this cycle we wait and hope for the fish to return.

Past president Mark Mettler was given a call in early June by Huntington Harbour resident Andrew Pierra of Stoked on Fishing. The plan was to run an early season reconnaissance mission and try and find some quality fish. Andrew was looking to put the first Tuna on the boat for 2023.

We left the dock at 6 AM on the Stoked on the Fishing charter boat. The 40 mile trip was quick at 34 MPH. By 7:30 AM we had lines in the water and Captain Andrew spotted Tuna breezing the surface. We were trolling 3 Calimade spreader bars at 5 knots. After a couple passes through the zone we got bit on the starboard spreader bar. These fish are brutal and the fight lasted about 30 minutes even with heavy gear. Two gaffs went into the fish and it took both guys



to haul it over the side. It weighed in at 150 pounds. So, by 8:30 AM we had our answer: Yes, the big Bluefin tuna are back!

For charter information visit [www.stokedonfishingcharters.com](http://www.stokedonfishingcharters.com) or you can call Andrew at (909) 560-2394

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Symbiosis is my chosen topic for August as we watch life all around us begin to move from summer to fall. Butterflies hatch from a chrysalis created by well fed caterpillars. Symbiotic relationships are

important in the ocean. Plants or animals of different species may be dependent on one another for survival. They may share habitats or lifestyles or interact in a way in which they benefit from the presence

of another organism. Clownfish like the one above hide in the stinging tentacles of their host anemone without getting stung and chase predators away that would eat the anemone. They also provide scraps of food to the anemone and lay their eggs in a protected spot.

Animals, plants and people all have symbiotic relationships. We will use people as that affects us and those around us daily. The best relationships are where 2 people help each other to the benefit of both. A primary example would be a grandparent and grandchild as they spend time together, both growing emotionally and sharing physical time. Another is when one person is recovering from an injury, surgery, or emotional trauma. In that case the caregiver can benefit from helping and a safe recovery is facilitated.

Often pride may prevent someone from asking for or graciously accepting help. I offer that helping others has its own reward.

I know you can find many examples in your own lives so I will just share this in hopes of fostering thought and communication.



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# Huntington Beach Sailing Foundation

by Anne Crowley

The Huntington Beach Sailing Foundation promotes the sport of sailing among the youth of Huntington Beach and surrounding communities. Our goal is to foster confidence and self-reliance in our students in a way that enhances self-esteem, and to promote competition in a manner that encourages teamwork, leadership and honor.

Our annual fundraiser is being held September 29th Shotgun start at Meadowlark golf course at 8:30 am. Lunch and dinner included with a silent auction and raffle. We are looking for golfers, sponsors and donations. If you are interested in being a sponsor, golfing or

donations please contact Anne Crowley at (714) 887-4453.

Through our summer sailing program children ages 6-18 can participate in weekly sessions taught by experienced sailing professionals. Students are taught comprehensive boating practices. Students participate in regattas against other sailing schools.

We use this event to raise money for the sailing foundation. The foundation uses this funding to provide scholarships to underprivileged and military families.

The HB Sailing Foundation is in need of more funding to keep our fleet in racing condition.

We appreciate your support of our ongoing efforts to continue to promote youth sailing in our communities.



# Huntington Harbour Garden Club

by Doreen Hill



*Garden Club members at our installation luncheon at the Huntington Club, L to R: Marcella Tillotson, Mary Johnston, Pearl Holmes, Robin Gray-Hite, Janet Johnson, Pam Smart, Doreen Hill, Susan Qaqundah, Jo Andrews, Gayle Wayne, Charlene Bauer, Connie Mandic, Kelly Mandic, Kay Goddard.*

The Huntington Club was the beautiful location of our June end-of-the-year and installation luncheon arranged by Robin Gray-Hite with the help of Jo Andrews, Mary Johnston, and Pam Smart. President Doreen Hill returned from a six week road trip in time to be able to attend. The club presented her with a lovely purple orchid as a President's thank you gift. Officers for the 2023-2025 two year term were installed and presented with a yellow rose. Doreen Hill-President, Janet Johnson-First Vice President Ways and Means, Doreen Hill and Robin Gray-Hite-Co Second Vice Presidents Programs, Charlene Bauer and Gayle Wayne-Co Third Vice Presidents Hospitality, Mary Johnston-Treasurer, Jo Andrews-Recording Secretary, Pam Smart-Corresponding Secretary, and Doreen Hill-Parliamentarian. The board

will meet during the summer and decide on the programs and philanthropies for the coming year. The club resumes their third Tuesday monthly meetings in September.

We were excited to hear an email update from our March speaker, Daya Oyarzabal, founder and volunteer at Kinetic Academy Green Team. With funds obtained from private donations, as a result of her presentation to our club, expansion of the schools' garden with the construction of two custom raised beds was completed. In June, students filled the beds and two gardens were planted; "Three Sisters" and "Pizza". The "Three Sisters" garden consists of corn, beans, and cucumber. The three plants work together supporting each other; an ancient Native American way of growing crops. The corn acts as a pole for the beans. The beans help

support the corn. The cucumber plant acts as a mulch with the leaves covering the soil to help keep in moisture and prevent weeds from growing. The "Pizza" garden consists of tomatoes, basil and oregano. We look forward to more updates from the Kinetic Academy Green Team.

Always on the lookout for garden related activities and excursions, summer provides a chance to enjoy and share in events that are happening locally. The Orange County Fair held July 14th to August 13th, is always a fun excursion to see various exhibits and the Farm.

We always welcome guests to join us at our meetings or excursions. For more information please contact Connie Mandic-Membership at (714) 377-0017 or Doreen Hill at (714) 878-3011.



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# Anglers of Huntington Harbour

by Kathy Bayless



Anglers of Huntington Harbour Duffy Cruise and Dinner host Patty Reilly.

## May TGIF

Friday evening, May 26th nearly 40 Anglers of Huntington Harbour and guests gathered at the Davenport Island waterfront home of Mike and Pam Myers for the organizations May TGIF. Each of the Anglers brought one of their favorite appetizers or desserts to be enjoyed by all as they socialized on the Myers patio overlooking Christiana Bay and discussed upcoming events like the annual Kids Fishing Trip and the Duffy Cruise and Dinner. Guests in attendance included Weikko and Jackie Wirta, Kim Weddon and Gayle Wayne. Attendees celebrating May birthdays included Mike Myers, Jo Andrews, Janet Johnson, and President Rob Sebring.

## Annual Kids Fishing Trip

At 6:30 am the morning of June 2nd Anglers of Huntington Harbour were aboard the 72 foot "Freelance" at Davey's Locker in Newport Beach as 39 kids and counselors from Huntington Beach Sowers and Dwyer middle schools arrived. This is the 52nd year the Anglers have taken at-risk children in our community on an unforgettable day of deep sea fishing. This year's trip was coordinated by Anglers 2nd Vice President Steve Larripa. Each child received breakfast, lunch, snacks, a picture catching a fish and the fish they caught were cleaned by the crew to take home for dinner. This year's photographer was Bruce Bayless and Kathy Bayless printed the pictures on board for the kids to take with them. Anglers mentoring the kids on the trip included Steve Larripa, Bruce Bayless, Phil Lupton, Kathy Bayless, Bill Woodard, Tim Branoff and new member Tom DeCuir. The Kids Fishing Trip has become a life changing event that adds joy and meaning to the lives of the at-risk children and is made possible by donations from the Anglers of Huntington Harbour members and this



Anglers of Huntington Harbour Past President Bruce Bayless, 1st Vice President Tim Branoff and Past President Phil Lupton on the annual Kids Fishing Trip.

year a generous contribution from Ocean Science International.

## Duffy Cruise and Dinner

Saturday afternoon July 1st Anglers of Huntington Harbour met at the Coral Cay waterfront home of Patty Reilly for the group's Duffy Cruise and Dinner. Patty's home was festively decorated for the 4th of July, and she was a great host. Some of the Anglers boarded a Duffy and cruised through the Harbour with appetizers and beverages. After the cruise all of the attendees gathered on Patty's waterfront patio overlooking the main channel for drinks and dinner including

tri-tip and chicken from Stonefire Grill. Attendees celebrating June and July birthdays included Steve Larripa, Gail Sebring and Nick Peoples.

## Upcoming Events

In 2023 the Anglers of Huntington Harbour are celebrating their 59th year in the Harbour and have many exciting social, fishing, and philanthropic activities planned. If you live in the Harbour and want to be considered for one of the Angler's open membership positions and attend one of our upcoming activities, please call membership chair Linda Axel at (714) 325-6111 for more information.



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# Huntington Harbour Art Association

by Doreen Hill



*Members gathered at the Show and Tell Spring Picnic in Gibb's Park.*

The Spring Show and Tell picnic in the park luncheon on May 9th was attended by about thirty members who shared their fiber and fine art creations. The weather was perfect for the day that also included the installation of officers for the 2023–2024 year: Carrol Wolf–President, Susie Harris–First Vice President (Fine Arts Events) assistants Jean Erstling, Betty Viers, and Elaine Murphy, Pat McKenna–Second Vice President (Fiber Arts Events) assistant Barbara Larson, Linda Morrow–Third Vice President (Luncheons and Programs) assistant Gerry Reed, Sharon Larson–Treasurer, Kay Sullivan–Recording Secretary, and Kelly Bourquin–Membership.

In addition, several other HHAA members participate as Committee Chairs: Social Events Chairs–Linda Morrow, Gerry Reed, and Betty Viers, Workshops–Marsha Hendler, Linda Sackin, and Kathleen Moore, “Arty Facts” Editor–Pam Smart, Needles and Friends–Janet Johnson, Painting Pals–Bea Tamo, Excursions–Kathleen Preble and Rhea Black, Corresponding Secretary–Kathleen Moore, Publicity–Doreen Hill, Telephone–Joan Preston, and Parliamentarian–Betty Viers.

Summer events that our group are looking forward to include the 55th Watercolor West Annual International Exposition held July 8th to August 12th at the The Art Gallery at Coastline College,

1515 Monrovia Ave. Newport Beach. Two of our members were juried into this prestigious show.: Francesca Brayton with her watercolor “Pismo Beach Monarch” and Carrol Wolf with her watercolor “Watching the World Go By”. Carrol was in a taxi waiting at a light in Istanbul last year and noticed this contemplative older woman looking out through decorative bars from a third story window. She was inspired to capture the moment on canvas.

The 10th and last year of CA101 held at the Redondo Beach Historic Library will

be August 25th to September 10th. This varied art show, as well as, the Laguna Beach Sawdust Festival June 30th to September 3rd, The Festival of Arts July 5th to September 1st and Pageant of the Masters, and Art–A–Fair in Laguna Beach June 30th to September 3rd 2023 are destinations worth going to this summer.

Correspondence can be sent to: H.H.A.A., P.O. Box 239, 16835 Algonquin Street, Huntington Beach, California 92649.



*This watercolor, by member Carrol Wolf, was accepted in the Watercolor West Show.*



*This watercolor, by member Francesca Brayton was, was accepted in the Watercolor West Show.*



# Kiwanis Club of Huntington Beach

by Shawn Wood, Kiwanis Lt. Governor, California-Nevada-Hawaii



Out of 425 Kiwanis clubs that submitted an application to Kiwanis International for Service Project of the year the Huntington Beach Kiwanis was recognized as being a finalist in the top 10 clubs in the world.

The Easter Family Fun Day was the project that was recognized. In large part for the first time partnering with the Braille Institute and doing an Easter Egg hunt with beeping eggs for blind kids. The HBFOF, Hunting Beach Fire Outreach Foundation bought the beeping eggs from a company that specializes in making products for the visually impaired.

Top 10 in the World from Geneva to Cal-Nev-Ha congratulations Huntington Beach Kiwanis. Really proud of our club getting some cool recognition on international stage.

*A message from Anthony Rios, Kiwanis Club HB Club Secretary*

Hello everyone:

It is my hope that all Members are having a winning Wednesday (look at that amazing alliteration!). Now that the Club has had time to recover from the Pancake Breakfast, Lieutenant Governor Shawn Wood asked me to share the Club's experience at the 2023 Kiwanis International Convention. For those of you who were not aware, the Club's 2023 Easter Hunt and Family Fun Day was submitted by Shawn to compete for the Cal-Nev-Ha District's Signature Project where it was selected as the District's winner. In honor of the Club's selection as Cal-Nev-Ha's Signature Project, the Club's project was advanced to compete for the 2023 Kiwanis International Signature Project at the Kiwanis International Convention. While the Club did not win, our project still finished in the Top 10.

425 Clubs applied so that is not too shabby. Kudos to the Club for its distinction and to Shawn for submitting the project!

In closing, if you would like to see pictures of the presentation, please check the photo gallery of the Club's website in the coming days. Also, you can check out this article on the Kiwanis International website, [www.bit.ly/43nnW4c](http://www.bit.ly/43nnW4c). Finally, if you are jonesing because you missed it, any Member can relive the whole thing by checking out all items at [www.bit.ly/43nnW4c](http://www.bit.ly/43nnW4c).

However, if you are interested in these materials, you better grab them fast. They will be removed on July 16, 2023.

So, hopefully, this kind of recognition will help each member to appreciate their contribution to the Club's events and help reinforce that your work is being noticed and appreciated.

Have an awesome day!

Sincerely,

Anthony Rios

Club Secretary, Kiwanis Club of HB



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# Huntington Harbour Republican Women Federated

by Annette Eliot



## HHRWF at the Fourth of July parade

No other city does the 4th of July like Huntington Beach. The 2023 Huntington Beach 4th of July Parade, in which the HHRWF participated, attracts over 400,000 onlookers. It is the largest 4th of July Parade west of

the Mississippi. We are even televised on channel 7 KABC, and YouTube is currently showing clips of the parade.

This year HHRWF had a double entry in the parade. Leading the Republican Women down Main Street in the parade was CA Assemblywoman AD72 and HHRWF member, Diane Dixon, who was riding in a red '67 Convertible Mustang owned and driven by Jim Gill. Following the Assemblywoman was the next HHRWF parade entry - a Horse Drawn Carriage carrying HHRWF members: Susan Dunaway, Annette Eliot, Ellen Hurrell, Linda Kalicki, Gail La Corrazza, Cynthia Thacker, Tina Vo, Charlie Nuwer, Samantha Fowler, Elyse Nuwer, and Charlie Nuwer. Joining HHRWF again this year was parade favorite - Ruby, the Republican Elephant, who gave high fives and hugs all along the parade route.

A special, thank you to our carriage company, Cyndi Cinderella Carriage's. We had the fanciest and most patriotically dressed horses in the parade!

Alas, HHRWF bids farewell to Charlotte Christiana, our Membership Chair. Charlotte will no longer be representing HHRWF. We wish her well.

### Mark Your Calendars:

After being on hiatus, HHRWF is readying for our next meeting. Scheduled for September 27, 2023, conservative radio talk show host, Jennifer Horn, who is the anchor of The Jen and Grant Morning Show on KABC radio from 6 AM to 9 AM will be our guest speaker. Her show has a huge morning drive-

time following tuning in to hear Jen's informative and entertaining take on politics and social issues. In October we will have Janet Nguyen, State Senator CA District 36 to update us on what's happening in Sacramento. These are not-to-be-missed meetings.

### Get to Know Us

HHRWF is an affiliate charter with the California Republican Party (CAGOP), and the Orange County Republican Party (OCGOP). We are not a PAC (Political Action Committee). We do not raise money for candidates.

The HHRWF organization provides political education to our members, promotes the ideals and platform of the Republican party, and volunteers to help all Republican candidates get elected to office in local, state and federal elections.

Membership in HHRWF includes membership in both our state and national affiliate organizations.

In the State it is the California Federation of Republican Women, [www.californiarepublicanwomenfederated.com](http://www.californiarepublicanwomenfederated.com) and National it is the National Federation of Republican Women, [www.NFRW.org](http://www.NFRW.org). All for the price of one membership in HHRWF! We are open to all registered Republicans - women and men. We are looking forward to you joining us. For more information about are membership and/or HHRWF go to [www.hhrwf.com](http://www.hhrwf.com) or call (714) 270-9534.

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