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## **Huntington Beach Council on Aging**

by Lindsay DuFresne, 2023 HBCOA Golf Chair





Huntington Beach Council on Aging is celebrating its Golden Anniversary this year. You can help us make it a memorable year with your support of the HBCOA Golf Tournament at Meadowlark Golf Course on Friday, June 23, 2023!



Registration begins at 6:45 a.m. along with breakfast, putting contest for \$5, and an 8

with breakfast, putting contest for \$5, and an 8 a.m. shotgun start. There will be fun activities on the holes along the way!

After golf, enjoy a cash bar reception with Opportunity Baskets, and a Silent Auction featuring a Callaway golf club, golf bag, a putter, and a VRBO stay in Joshua Tree. A Wine Pull will be offered with one of 40 bottles valued at \$100! Prizes will be awarded to top finishers and winners of games. Cost is \$200 per golfer.

#### We've Grown Over 50 Years!

Since its inception in 1973 HBCOA has worked to provide local seniors with social connections to combat isolation and loneliness. Over the years the way we help seniors has changed, adapting to today's needs. This year HBCOA is supporting a Senior Center presentation, "Ageism: Changing the Narrative" on June 14 from 5-7:30 p.m.

Also for the first time, "Grandparents Day" will be held at the Senior Center on August 5 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Fun activities (including Bingo!) are planned for young ones to see where their grandparents spend time! See the current issue of Outlook or the Senior Center in Central Park for details on how to register!

#### Play a Part!

Your support of the golf tournament may take one of several forms. You may choose to:

- Play in the tournament on June 23rd.
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- Donate items for golf participant "goodie bags" (144 golfers).
- Make a financial contribution to the tournament.

Your organization can demonstrate its commitment to our local seniors and be acknowledged in our tournament program! For further information, please contact Lindsay DuFresne at golf@hbcoa.org or (714) 742-2336.

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## Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Juniors

by Lisa Kemmerer and Rachel Helgeson



From Left: Bridget Younger, Malia Haynes, Holiday Younger, Sophie Luna, Elle Krause, Camryn Kustra, Courtney Kemmerer, Alexandria Misterly, Chloe Luna, Shea Miles, Ben Menard, Bronson Bowman, Jacob Menard, Luke Helgeson, Dominic Neel, and Michael Faubert. Not in photo - Garrett Arendt.

The Philharmonic Juniors annual fashion show "Springtime in Paris" was a huge success. This year's event took place at the newly remodeled the Huntington Club on March 26th. Fourteen Philharmonic Juniors and eight HHPC ambassador models modeled; while three Juniors were on hand to help sell opportunity drawing and assist in the live and silent auctions.

Models wore clothing from Pacific City retailers Stitch and Feather, Morning Lavender, and Tommy Bahama. Our ambassador models were dressed by J. Ensemble Boutique in Seal Beach.

The Juniors were very grateful for the generous underwriters of the event. This includes our Platinum Sponsor, Jody Clegg at Compass. Our Gold Sponsors: Linda Axel and Teacher Credited Materials. Silver Sponsors: Kelly Haynes, Lauren Claus, Barbara Sentell, Marlene Nielsen, Karen Ridout, Kim Willingham, Pam Free and Pam Myers.

Additionally, we had some fantastic silent auction prizes and live auction items donated by Gail Sebring, Prince Charters LLC, Fletcher Jones, and Denise Laviola donated her Montana vacation home.

Calvin Free was our amazing mastersof-ceremonies and introduced our eleven graduating seniors.

A big thank you goes to Val Miles and her daughter Quinn who donated and assembled the Balloon Garland at the event. Also, thank you to Elizabeth Henry who along with Lisa Kemmerer and Rachel Helgeson, sponsored our donor appreciation party in February.

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported the Juniors this year, especially our HHPC Liaisons; Val Miles, Gail Sebring, Kelly Haynes, Debbie Edwards, Linda Axel and Donna Misterly.



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## **Huntington Harbour Philharmonic Committee**

by Marlene Nielsen

The HHPC celebrated its 60th anniversary this year! Over 200 volunteers clocked in an amazing 21,000+ hours through fundraising, ushering, and being a docent at our many programs. These efforts translate into raising over \$135,000, benefiting youth music education programs. HHPC has six hardworking Groups: Admiralty, Islander, Marina/Windjammer, Sandpiper, Seal Beach, Trinidad, and our high school HHP Juniors.

We celebrated our 2022 Grand Marshal, Michael Gates, and members, neighbors, and significant others on March 18, 2023, at the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club. Kudos to our Grand Marshal Event chairman Jeanie Gibson and her committee for a dazzling night of dining and dancing. We announced Weikko Wirta as our 2023 Grand Marshal. The Boat Parade will set sails on Saturday, December 9, and Sunday, December 10. This year's theme is "The Power of Music!".

The Philharmonic Juniors annual fashion show "Springtime in Paris" was successful at The Huntington Club on Sunday, March 26, 2023. Fourteen Juniors and eight HHPC members modeled clothing from Pacific City and local retailers. The Juniors were very grateful for the generous underwriters of the event. Thank you to Islander co-chairs Lisa Kemmerer and Rachel Helgeson and the HHPC Group liaisons: Val Miles (Islander), Gail Sebring (Admiralty), Kelly Haynes (Marina/Windjammer), Debbie Edwards (Seal Beach), Linda Axel (Trinidad), and Donna Misterly (Sandpiper). For more information, email HHPCJuniors@gmail.com.

Our HHPC Installation & Luncheon was held at Spaghettini Grill on May 11 to thank our current board, and incoming HHPC chairman Lauren Claus welcomed her next year's board. Madeline Fields was honored as HHPC Volunteer of the Year. She joined the Philharmonic Society in 2013 and later joined the Islander and Trinidad Groups. Madeline was the "office angel" as HHPC Office Manager for many years before the pandemic. She is now co-chair for the HH Boat Parade and instrumental in assuring Cruise of Lights® and many of our events run smoothly. Congratulations, Madeline well deserved!



2023 Grand Marshal Weikko Wirta and his wife Jacki. This year's theme is "The Power of Music".

The HHPC raises funds to benefit the Philharmonic Society's Youth Education Music Programs. Each year the free youth programs reach more than 100,000 students from elementary through high school. The programs are accessible to all public and private schools in Orange County. We'd love to have you join

us – for information, email volunteer@philharmonicsociety.org.

As co-chairs, Marlene Nielsen and Kim Weddon sincerely thank our HHPC members for their dedication and commitment to bringing music to our young children in Orange County.

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## **HHPC: Marina Windjammers**

by Pamela Barthold



Thank you to all of the Marina board members for their time, commitment, excellence, and dedication to ensuring children's music programs are funded through their countless hours of volunteerism. Kelly Haynes, Carlone Herman, Joanne Fernbach, Maggie VanEck, Roberta Swain, Ruth Roe, Sherry Skerik, Barbara Sentell, Karen Ridout, Pamela Barthold, Coralie Prince, Susie Sampson and Bobbie Spiegel.

## Thank You to All Marina Windjammers Volunteers

We had a wonderful installation luncheon at Joanne Fernbach's beautiful Coastal front home to thank Karen Ridout for a great year as President of Marina Windjammers. Karen thanked all of her board, Marina Windjammer members and congratulated Kelly Haynes as Volunteer of the year and Jill Wicki as Gold Star winner for stepping up and volunteering for so many events as a new member. Karen and the members welcomed Pamela Barthold as their new President of Marina Windjammers.



Thank you to Volunteer of the Year Kelly Haynes (right) and current President Karen Ridout (left).



Kelly Haynes presented the reinvestment check to Marina HS Band Director John McGilligan.



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### **HHPC: Islanders**

by Cristi Ulrich



Islander group meeting.

The Islanders celebrated the outgoing and incoming boards at the lovely home of Kim Willingham. Our fabulous members attended the meeting and shared a joyous luncheon commemorating this amazing organization and our fabulous members and now Family!! We celebrated our very own member Jo Andrews for her 50 years as a member of the Philharmonic. WOW!!! Ouite an achievement and she is so appreciated for her hard work and knowledge! We discussed several upcoming fund-raising events including the Golf Classic, Music in the Park, 4th of July parade and our favorite program... Music Matters. Music Matters is part of our continued contribution to our children's music education is the continued goal of our membership! To that end, we celebrate our outgoing President, Lauren Claus for her amazing contributions to not only The Islanders, The Philharmonic, but music programs in general.

Lauren joined the Philharmonic/ Huntington Harbour in 1994. She immediately took over responsibility for our Juniors program and from there, has been on the board in charge of 6 different areas including public relations, membership, Grand Marshall Event, Parliamentarian, and most outstanding, she has been our Islander President for the last 3 years and also, in 2001. Her husband Cor was our Grand Marshall in 2003.

As Lauren finishes her 4th year as President of The Islanders to continue her service as the Chairman of the Huntington Harbour Philharmonic and the President Elect of the Philharmonic Society of Orange County. She is just one of the most respected, diligent, and loyal members of the Philharmonic, Orange



Lauren Claus, President.

County. She attends fund raisers county wide and never refuses to volunteer at the music programs we sponsor for students.

Lauren grew up a musician as she plays classical piano and studied flute. Her granddaughters also are following in her footsteps as their interest in the Arts evolves. Ava studies ballet and keyboard and recently donated a keyboard to Marine View Middle School, where she will attend next year. Addison, her youngest granddaughter takes violin lessons! Bravo to this family.

The Islanders cherish Lauren and all she has accomplished in the Philharmonic. There is no stopping her as she is dedicated to bringing music and friendship into all our lives and to our children. We celebrate Lauren and look forward to watching her involvement in the future!!

## HHPC: Sandpipers

by Lolly McHardy

Members Lolly McHardy, Nicole Stewart, Jody O'Neil, and Julia Kinmartin presented the Music Mobile on March 20th, 21st, and 22nd to 8 local schools.

Several members attended Committee Night at Segrestrom on March 25th.

Our Board installation was held on April 20th at Buon Gusto where we announced our Volunteer of the year Julia Kinmartin.

Member Susan Lipman will receive her 25 year metal for her 25 years of service to our Philharmonic on May 24th at the Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club.

Several members enjoyed lunch and tour at the Bowers Museum. The exhibit was, "Goo Pei: Art of Couture."



Volunteer of the year, Julia Kinmartin (middle), with Co-presidents Lolly McHardy and Nicole Stewart.

## HHPC: Trinidad

#### by Patty Reilly

Trinidad members have enjoyed plenty of together time this month. Many of us attend the Celebration of Life for Helen Hagen. The service was beautiful and tasteful just the way Helen was in life. The family was very appreciated of all the delicious baked goods we contributed. The Grand Marshall Ball again was a welcome happy party with good friends, dancing, and of course delicious food. Jeannie Gibson once again had a spectacular event where everyone who attended had a great time and those that could not make it were envious of those who got to enjoy this fabulous evening. Trinidad was well represented with Bert & Doris Willis, our own Past Grand Marshall, Elizabeth & Steve Larripa, Roni & David Fell, Ellen Martin, Madeline Fields, Deborah Farion, Tricia Pratto, Evelyn Zohlen & Mark Prendergast. The Juniors Fashion Show was another great success, congratulations to Lisa Kemmerer and Rachael Helegson for a delightful event. Our own Elizabeth Larripa was one of the models who was cheered on by

Trinidad members: Ellen Martin, Pam Rieder-Myers, Stephanie Myers, Linda Axel, and Dianne Rector.

and Surf City Inn.



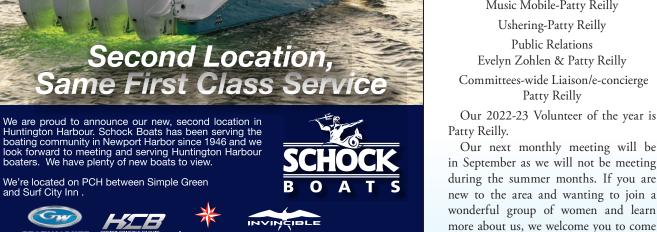
L to R: Elizabeth Larripa, Patty Reilly, Roni Fell, and Ellen Martin.

Thursday, April 20th we held our installation luncheon at Kings Fish House in Bella Terra where we said goodbye and hello to our new board. Thanks to Elizabeth Larripa and Ellen Martin for arranging such a wonderful luncheon and delicious installation location. We had two door prizes; one was a beautiful basket made by our creative basket maker Elizabeth Larripa which was won by Roni Fell and the lucky other door prize winner Deborah Farion won the exclusive and highly sought after prize: Hospitality Chair for our group.

#### Executive Vice President/Parliamentarian Ellen Martin & Pam Myers Vice President, Boat Parade Deborah Fairon & Patty Reilly Vice President, Cruise of Lights Ellen Martin & Pam Myers Assistants (Office Staffing) Sharon Courtway Vice President, Membership/Annual Fund Ellen Martin & Linda Axel Recording Secretary-Dee Holte Corresponding Secretary-Linda Cohen Treasurer-Pam Rieder-Myers Grand Marshall Event-Elizabeth Larripa Hospitality-Deborah Farion Social Events (Parties) Patty Reilly & Sheree Novak Music Education - Youth Programs & Music Mobile-Patty Reilly Ushering-Patty Reilly **Public Relations** Evelyn Zohlen & Patty Reilly Committees-wide Liaison/e-concierge Patty Reilly Our 2022-23 Volunteer of the year is

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## **HHPC: Admirality**

#### by Charmaine Rood

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From left to right, Grace Holdaway, Barbara Howland, Roxanne Talley, Charmaine Rood, Jackie Sands and Barbara Larson.





Corona Del Mar – Bahia Corinthian Yacht Club – HHPC Admiralty Group combined their Installation (meet the board) and Membership Brunch as a way of being proactive with our active working members. Looking for a unique group forming a mutually beneficial relationship that benefits the Philharmonic Society's Youth Music Education Programs? We would welcome hearing from you. Call Jackie Sands (714) 791-8716.

From left to right, Jim Rood, Rob Sebring, Gail Sebring, Matt Nadelson, Barbara Howland, Domonique "Niki" Rood, Charmaine Rood, Roxanne Talley, Andy Talley and Jackie Sands.

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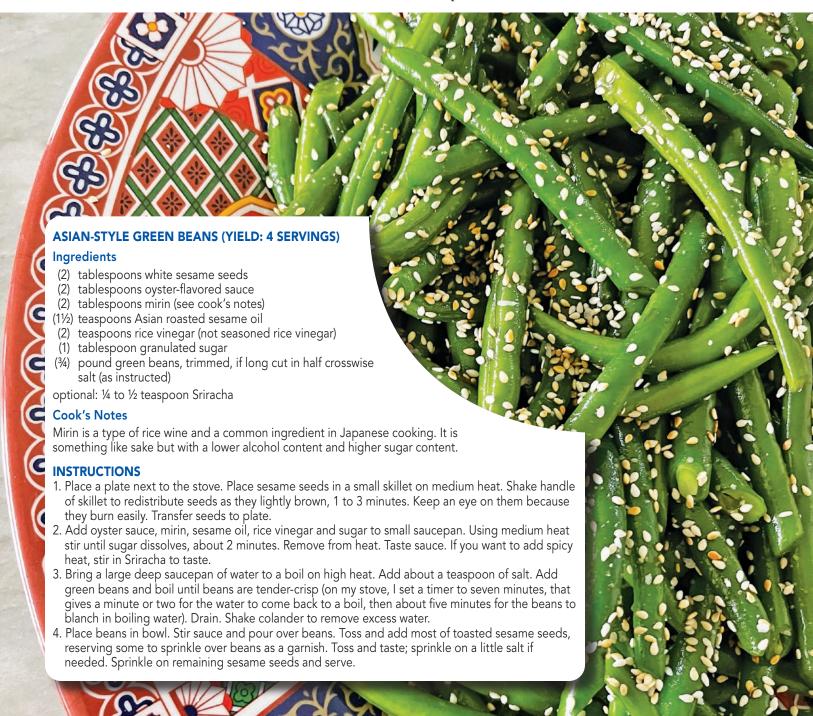


## Asian-Style Green Beans

#### by Cathy Thomas, Cathy Thomas Cooks.com

Green beans cooked to perfection, somewhere between hard and soft, are delicious tossed with a sauce made with Asian-style ingredients. Oyster-flavored sauce, that bottled oh-so-tangy condiment, adds umami to the mix. Mirin, rice vinegar and sugar balance out the flavors with sweetness. Toasted sesame seeds add a gentle crunch and welcome nuttiness.

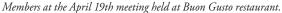
In Chinese restaurants, a version of this dish often features Chinese long beans. They have a distinctive bean taste and are often steamed or stirfried. Green beans are a little sweeter and easier to find in the marketplace. Cathy Thomas is an award-winning food writer and has authored three cookbooks: "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



## **ALL Garden Club**

by Sally Cohen, Publicity Chair







Agatna Isabel from the Plant Ma Shop talking about succulents at the meeting.

ALL Garden Club met on April 19, at the Buon Gusto Restaurant. We had our business meeting first and then enjoyed hearing a plant presentation on the care of succulents by Agatna Isabel from the Plant Ma Shop. She told us all about succulents and revealed that some can be taken outdoors. Getting rid of bugs on indoor plants can be a problem and Agatna gave us suggestions on how to eliminate them. Our lunch of salad, chicken and pizza was delicious.

On May 17, our club will visit the Sherman Library and Gardens. We will have a guided tour at 10:30 am followed by lunch at 11:45 am the garden's Dahlia Restaurant. Please bring \$5.00 to get into the gardens if you are not a member. This will be a lovely day visiting these beautiful gardens and exploring the items in their gift shop. Reservations should be made by text to Barbara Gallegos at (714) 202-6962. Please get your RSVP into her soon.

On Thursday, May 25th, our club will visit the "Treasures of Pasadena". This

is an all tour traveling by luxury motor coach and we will also have a tour of the Wrigley Mansion surrounded by gardens. Lunch is on your own in old town Pasadena. The tour is full but there is a waiting list. Contact Tonia Aquino for more information about this tour at tonia79455@aol.com and to be added to the wait list. We are joining Huntington Beach Newcomers for this tour.

If you are interested in joining ALL, please contact Sally Cohen by text at (714) 916-8252.



## It's Personal



#### by Tammy Asaki

"You don't make a photograph just with a camera. You bring to the act of photography all the pictures you have seen, the books you have read, the music you have heard, the people you have loved."

This is my favorite quote by Ansel Adams. It's so beautiful and true. Photography is personal. The best photos reveal something about the photographer and evoke emotion in some way from the viewer. I am always on the hunt for magical moments that convey a feeling. Easier said than done but that is part of the artistic journey. I love when everything comes together and a great photo materializes; when the light is right; when the subject cooperates; when something special occurs. My favorite place to find those moments? The Bolsa Chica Wetlands Ecological Reserve. Because of the unique scenery and abundant wildlife, the Bolsa Chica Wetlands and surrounding natural areas attract photographers from all over. I am a local photographer and the Bolsa Chica Wetlands is my home base and happy place; I live nearby and find myself out there wandering the trails several times a week looking for inspiration. Here are some of my favorite moments:

Tammy teaches a Community Ed class called "Photographing the Bolsa Chica Wetlands" through the Huntington Beach Adult School. The goal of the class is for students to leave with a deeper appreciation for the Bolsa Chica Wetlands and to take away some knowledge to make their photography visits more rewarding.











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## Assistance League Huntington Beach

by Marcela Alban, Marketing Communications Chair



## Helping Out in So Many Ways

When a little girl visiting Huntington Beach from Utah found herself in a local hospital emergency room recently, a Teddy bear she received from the Assistance League's Operation Bear Hug program helped comfort and relax her. That Teddy bear, which she named, "Hundy" (in honor of her trip to Huntington Beach) quickly became her favorite. When it went missing, she was beside herself and nothing else would do... so her desperate parents wrote to us letting us know what happened, upon receiving a letter from her distraught parent's, we sent a replacement bear. The precious photo we received of little Caroline with her new bear was a great reminder that a small gesture can make a big difference.

The bear, who wore a T-shirt with the Assistance League logo on it, was just one of the hundreds of such toys the organization hands out each year in the community. As one of its nine ongoing philanthropies, Operation Bear Hug, provides teddy bears to our local hospitals and emergency centers and doctors and nurses can distribute them to pediatric and sometimes senior patients to provide comfort in times of crisis.

In addition to the bears, the Assistance League of Huntington Beach reaches out to the community in many other ways. Residents may be familiar with the Operation School Bell (OSB) program that provides new school clothes and shoes to financially insecure and homeless students. This program invites students identified by the school district to pick out their own school clothes and necessities at Target and JCPenney. This year OSB expects to host 1,000 students with a budget of about \$300,000. You may have also heard of Links to Learning. This program invites K-8 teachers from the Huntington Beach City, Fountain Valley, Ocean View, and Westminster School Districts to apply for a grant up to \$500 for instructional materials or special programs that can enrich students' educational experiences. This

year we have awarded a total of 141 teachers, \$64,904. But some of the lesser-known philanthropies also have a large impact on the people they help.

In total, the Assistance League of Huntington Beach returns more than \$1 million to the community every year, with assistance going to people in Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley and Westminster.

We are extremely proud to offer numerous scholarship programs. We have Scholarship programs that award a variety of students with financial help, including veterans attending the police academy at Golden West College. This year for the first time, the scholarships have been extended to include non-veterans attending the program, allowing them to have some help with tuition. Additionally, about \$126,000 goes to scholarships for nursing students at Golden West College, with first year students included for the first time this year. The scholarships will be awarded soon to 80 recipients, 41 being first year students. We also collaborate with Scholars' Hope to provide college scholarships to some of the amazing students who complete the Scholars' Hope Program, and Project Self-Sufficiency to provide scholarships to single-parent college students. Assistance is also made to Veterans Resource Centers at Coastline College and Golden West College. This help can come in the form of funding, food items, gas cards and other necessities.

Another new program this year is the donation of cell phones to Interval House, a safe haven for victims of domestic violence. Members collect cell phones, remove the sim cards, then donate them to Interval House residents, allowing them the use of a cell phone. Residents of Interval House are also helped through Operation New Beginnings, which provides clothing and merchandise from the thrift shop to homeless adults and children, victims of domestic violence and others from local referring agencies.

The income from our thrift shop funds the majority of these programs, but donations that we do not sell in our shop are shared with other amazing organizations like Goodwill and the Wetlands and Wildlife Care Center, through another one of our philanthropies called Operation Share. This program has a positive environmental impact encouraging people to reuse and recycle clothing and household items and further eliminate waste.

So, whether you are passionate about helping veterans, children, education, or the environment the Assistance League of Huntington Beach is striving to Make a Difference and you can help!

- Shop at our Thrift Shop at 8071 Slater Avenue (just east of Beach Blvd). Our hours may change, but currently we are open: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Saturdays, 11am 3pm.
- Donate your gently used clothing, jewelry, and household goods to Assistance League. We accept donations Tuesday thru Saturday, 10:30 AM 12:30 PM
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## **Huntington Harbour Yacht Club**

by Eve Jordan, Commodore



Opening day at the Yacht Club.

Ahoy from Huntington Harbour Yacht Club! We have launched another fun filled boating season at HHYC. Our first of 8 planned club cruises went to Alamitos Bay March 24-26. This "tune up" cruise with 14 member boats included a treasure hunt activity involving several of the restaurants in the harbor. We were able to enjoy the hospitality of both Long Beach and Seal Beach Yacht Clubs while on this cruise too.

On April 2nd we held a membership drive open house in conjunction with our weekly Sunday brunch. We are proud to have welcomed 14 new members to the club due to that event. Another open house is being planned around July.

The Easter Bunny was our featured guest for our Easter Sunday brunch. Over 120 people enjoyed casual dining and

social interactions that day, and we had quite a few youngsters participating in an egg hunt on our waterfront patio area.

Our most recent major event was hosting the Yacht Club's 58th annual Opening Day on April 23. We started at 11 AM with a harbor parade with 12 club boats escorted by the County Sheriff vessel. Gun salutes to our current Flag Officers and past club commodores aboard the parade boats were part of the activity. At 1 PM the formal outdoor ceremony began with about 200 in attendance including dignitaries from several Southern California Yachts Clubs. Gracey Van Der Mark, Mayor Pro Tem of Huntington Beach, was in attendance and she presented the club with a City Proclamation recognizing our 58 years of service to the community.

Looking forward, we have plans for weekend cruises to both Avalon and Two Harbors on Catalina Island, and to several other coastline destinations including Cabrillo Beach in San Pedro, and Long Beach and Newport Harbors. Memorial Day and July 4th will be patriotic fun filled days for us including Duffy parades in harbor waters followed by food and live entertainment at our facility.

The Commodore's lounge and kitchen service are available for club members five afternoons/evenings per week, and we continue our traditions of monthly ladies Sea Belles meetings and bimonthly Friday night birthday celebrations for all club members. We are open to the public for brunch every Sunday from 10 AM to 1 PM. Come join us to enjoy a casual buffet meal while viewing the harbor for only \$20 per person.

To get information on becoming a member our office is open Tuesday to Friday 9-4 PM. Our contact information is as follows:

Address: 3821 Warner Ave (adjacent to the fire station), telephone (562) 592-2186, office manager DeeDee Hall website: HHYC.org

We have a professional staff on hand to show you the facility if you have an interest in a waterfront rental venue for weddings, birthdays/anniversaries, class reunions, and other celebrations.

Looking forward to seeing you soon!

## Sea Belles of the Huntington Harbour Yacht Club

by Cindy Barlow, Ships Hailer



On March 1, Patty Civalleri and Trader Joe's first employee, Mr. Leroy Watson, gave a presentation for the Sea Belles on the life of Joseph (Joe) Coulombe, Founder of Trader Joe's. Patty co-authored the book "Becoming Trader Joe."

On March 11, Sea Belles hosted "A Touch of Fashion" by L.A., who provided us with a wide selection of beautiful and quality ladies' tops, pants, scarves,



belts, and other accessories, along with coordinating ideas. On April 5, Sea Belles hosted Robyne's Nest, which has greatly assisted at least 191 homeless, neglected, abandoned, and at-risk teens to develop into successful adults. A couple of teens later joined the military, and one female teen later became a firefighter!

On April 23, Sea Belles celebrated Huntington Harbour Yacht Club's



Opening Day on Paul and Kathy De Salvo's yacht, "Bello Giorno." The De Salvos graciously provided a fantastic cruise, and we sincerely thank them!

The Sea Belles have many more fun events planned. Ladies, if you would like to attend fun luncheons that include a special presentation, as well as other Sea Belles events, please consider joining HHYC and the Sea Belles!

## Longtime Residents of Huntington Harbour Donate \$30 Million to UCI

by Cathy Thomas



Dr. Robert A. Mah and Dr. Adeline Yen Mah with Harbour friends Ron and Marcia Kay Radelet at the groundbreaking ceremony.



Artist rendering of building.

A \$30 million gift from Drs. Robert and Adeline Mah through their Falling Leaves Foundation will fund construction of the six story, 216,000 square foot research and education facility at UCI. The Falling Leaves Foundation Medical Innovation Building will house projects aimed at promoting interactive research aiming to promote healthcare on a local, regional, and global basis. The longtime

residents of Huntington Harbour look to the building to provide state-of-the-art, well-equipped laboratories, and meeting spaces. Teams from diverse disciplines will collaborate to drive medical innovations.

Adeline Mah is the author of the international bestselling book, "Falling Leaves," a rare self-portrait that captures growing up in twentieth-century China. A recent fall left her with a grave condition

known as Trigeminal Neuralgia, an ailment that caused excruciating pain, an agony that made her unable to eat. She credits Chief of Neurosurgery at UCI, Dr. Frank Hsu with saving her life, treating her by performing a craniotomy and microvascular decompression. She would like those with this malady to know that there is hope. She is now free of pain.



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## Seagate Yacht Club

by Michael Dix



SGYC 2023 Officers

PRESS YOUR FINGERS tightly into your ears, because echoes of cannon fire are surely still being heard, as Seagate Yacht Club declared the 2023 boating season officially open and the Harbour finally free of ice!

Since the only ice most of us see in our communities is floating in our glasses at happy hour, it might come as a surprise to learn we employ cannon fire to "break the ice" so the boating season can officially begin. We do this because we are a yacht club, and Opening Day is a centuries-old tradition we feel we must keep, along with the seasonal debut of white pants with blue blazers, great food, champagne, salute to the officers, parade of the fleet, flags, banners, horns, more champagne and, well, you get the idea.

Perhaps you're thinking that this is just another excuse for the Seagate folks to party, but NO - we have other great ideas as well, such as such as the themed happy hours we had recently to celebrate previous Commodores and St Patrick, or our celebration of National Drink Wine Day with a night of education and tastings.

If mingling with like-minded friends and neighbors while consuming mountains of charcuterie and comparing vintages is too tame for you, consider joining us on our upcoming Mexican Riviera cruise, Night at the Races, Duffy Boat brunch cruise, cruise to Catalina, dock party or Commodore's Ball. Find us through Google, Facebook or anyone in the Seagate community, waterfront on the North side of the harbour. You can come by boat if you wish, the water is safe now!



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## **Huntington Harbour Garden Club**

by Doreen Hill



L-R: Charlene Bauer, Lara Anderson, Janet Johnson, Mary Johnston, Betty McCarthy, Marcela Tillotson, Doreen Hill, Gayle Wayne, JoAnn Rossi, Jo Andrews, Robin Gray-Hite, Pam Smart.

Spring brings us joy in being able to finally have some sunny days that warm the soil and make it the ideal time to plant again. This year we welcomed new members Karen Branoff, Robin Gray-Hite, Janet Johnson, Kelly Mandic, Susan Qaqundah, Marcela Tillotson, and Gail Wayne and several were able to attend our April meeting at Pam Smart's lovely home. We learned how important the soil health is for plant growth from Dane Shota, horticulturist and local Huntington Harbour resident. He explained that first the soil has to be able to absorb water. Too shallow of roots lead to trees toppling like in Tennis Estates a few years ago. Using a ground breaker, soil penetrant product from "Green as it Gets" a hands-on experiment demonstrated how water was able to pass through hard, clay soil. Without a healthy deep established root system, healthy plant growth is limited. Soil should have Nitogen fixing bacteria and other microbes so elements, such as, Nitogen and Phosphorus are available to the plants. Dane uses another product, "Garden Max", to add the microbes and elements in his "rainwater only" garden.

Some of us also enjoyed the Spring Garden Show at South Coast Plaza in April. The "Fleurs de Villes Voyage" was spectacular.

We are looking forward to our May meeting at the Urban Forest. Jean Nagy,

HB Tree Society founder and president, will be our guide. Off of Ellis and between Goldenwest and Edwards this area has changed, in its twenty odd years since the Tree Society started planting trees and native plants, into a vibrant ecosystem and beautiful place to meander.

Our last meeting of the year will be at The Huntington Club in June, where we will install the 2023-2025 officers. We always welcome guests at our 10 a.m. meetings the third Tuesday of each month, except July and August when we dont meet. Call Connie Mandic, Membership Chair, for more information at (714) 655-0848 or Doreen Hill, President, (714) 878-3011.





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## **Anglers of Huntington Harbour**

#### by Kathy Bayless

#### March TGIF

Friday evening March 31st Anglers of Huntington Harbour gathered at the Humboldt Island waterfront home of Bob and Linda Axel for the organizations March TGIF. Each of the Anglers brought one of their favorite appetizers or desserts to be enjoyed by all as they socialized and discussed upcoming events like the annual Kids Fishing Trip for at-risk children in our community that the Anglers have organized and sponsored every year since 1971. 2nd Vice President Steve Larippa is organizing this year's event with Huntington Beach schools. Anglers attending the TGIF that were celebrating March birthdays include Karen Peoples and Rob Sebring.

#### **April TGIF**

The evening of Friday April 28th nearly 40 Anglers of Huntington Harbour and guests met at the Davenport Island home of Susan Qaqundah for the group's April TGIF. There was an abundance of delicious appetizers and desserts that each of the Anglers brought to be enjoyed by all. Anglers socialized and discussed upcoming events like the May TGIF at



Anglers of Huntington Harbour March TGIF hosts Bob and Linda Axel.

the home of Mike and Pam Myers and the annual Duffy Cruise and Dinner at the home of Patty Reilly in June. The only attendee celebrating an April Birthday was Bruce Bayless.

#### **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 that include the annual



Anglers of Huntington Harbour April TGIF host Susan Qaqundah with President Rob Sebring.

Kids Fishing Trip for at-risk children in our community June 2nd and the annual Duffy Cruise and Dinner at the Coral Cay home of Patty Reilly June 24th. 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.

## **Boating is Physical, Protect Yourself**

by Cindy Shaw, PT, OCS

Boating season is open, no icebergs in the Harbour!

As both of our local yacht clubs held their opening day ceremonies, I have many friends and neighbors asking about how to protect themselves boating this spring and summer.

The positions needed to work on our boats and get into often small spaces is a consistent concern. Take the time to kneel or find a support to sit on rather than just bending down and then lifting or moving something. Fill that Fridge with good stuff from a close position.

Climb into the Duffy to unzip the windows and set it up. If you need to do mechanical work yourself, take the time to find the best position possible and if it is awkward, do it a little bit at a time.

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Stepping in and out of the tender is also an activity often not done for many months. Pull it close and tight, consider sitting on the side of the boat and stepping in rather than a big step.

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When does the protection kick in? If a custodian becomes insolvent, the SIPC will ask the court system to appoint a trustee to take control of the firm. In most cases, investors' assets are safe because the government will broker the sale of the custodian or broker-dealer to another party, which will take custody of the accounts. Your assets are safe because brokerage firms are required to

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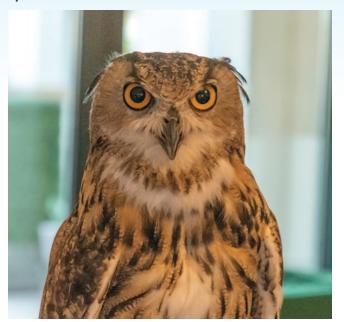
As a result, if someone has more than \$500,000 in one brokerage account, your specific investments are substantially safe: they are in your account not the custodian's account, even if the custodian or brokerage firm is forced into liquidation. If the firm is unable to self-liquidate or there are no buyers on the horizon, then SIPC will be the guarantor of last resort.

Note that SIPC insurance doesn't provide protection against investment losses, or losses due to account hacking. And it does not apply to claims against bad or inappropriate investment advice, which are typically handled through arbitration proceedings. The FINRA arbitration system, which handles such claims against brokers, generally hears more than 3,500 complaints against brokerage representatives every year, including 4,998 in 2021. The message here is that investors should fear bad or predatory advice from brokers far more than custodial insolvency.

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## **Bolsa Chica Conservancy**

by Carissa Macias







#### 10th Annual Barefoot Ball

On August 25th, Bolsa Chica Conservancy will host our 10th Annual Barefoot Ball at the Waterfront Beach Resort, a Hilton Hotel in Huntington Beach. Please join us for a fun evening including a social hour with appetizers and champagne, online auction, dinner

and wine at your table, and a live auction. With the help of generous donors, this event will raise funds to support programs that educate, restore, and inspire children and adults to engage in the important work of protecting our coastal wetlands today and for generations to come. Funds raised at the Barefoot Ball will support public

projects at the Bolsa Chica Interpretive Center, field trips and educational tours for students and youth groups, our Windows to Our Wetlands mobile marine program, habitat restoration, and citizen science and research projects. Table sales and sponsors are lining up so secure your spot today!

Start the celebration early and join us on June 7th, for the Barefoot Ball Giving Party and VIP access to the Interpretive Center. Tacos, margaritas, and festivities galore will get everyone in the mood to celebrate Bolsa Chica!

#### 4th of July Brunch

Other upcoming events with the Bolsa Chica Conservancy include the 4th of July Brunch at Fred's Mexican Café on main street where you can watch the parade while enjoying a special menu. Proceeds from this event get students learning with hands-on activities that build scientific skills and foster the next generation of biologists at Bolsa Chica.

Of course, the other way to support the future of Bolsa Chica outside of sponsoring, donating, or attending an event is to volunteer for a public service day or with your company for a corporate staff retreat. Volunteers help us in our restoration efforts to weed out nonnative plants, remove trash and debris from sensitive areas, and plant indigenous plants that support wildlife.

Visit our website at www.bolsachica. org for more information on upcoming events, to register for the Barefoot Ball, 4th of July Brunch, or to sign up for our next public service day.



## Harbour Rod & Reel Club

#### by Paul Haase



Garrett Young shows off his 17 lb. Halibut.



Garrett's Dad, Brad, with a nice catch.



Dorie Chandler gets her first Halibut.

On Sunday April 30 the tourney began with lines in at 7 AM. Four club boats participated. Three boats fished local waters and one made the run to Catalina. The fish targeted were Calico bass, Sand Bass, halibut, White seabass, rockfish and Yellowrail.

Scott Coler and Tony McCabe made a run to deep water and filled their cooler with near limits on the rock fish. Scot reported that they fished Deep Waters off the Palos Verde area.

President Paul Haase on his boat Sushi Grade had Larry Moore 1st VP, Dorie Chandler-ship stores manager and Larry Overton 2nd VP ready to fish. We went to some local rock piles at Izor's Reef. The fish showed on our meter but we couldn't get them to bite. It was probably due to us using some old frozen squid that smelled pretty bad. The fish were not in a feeding mode. We moved to Los Angeles/Long Beach Harbors looking for big bass and maybe some halibut. After getting a scoop of Fresh sardines from The Long Beach Bait Barge we searched the bay looking for the fish. Larry Overton caught a nice Sand Bass and Dorie scored her first Halibut. The fish weighed in at 6 lbs. and was 24 inches long.

The big score of the day was from Brad Young and his son Garrett. They went to Catalina and nailed some nice Halibut. Garrett's largest with 17 lbs. and Brad's largest was 12.5 lbs.

The club hosted a BBQ at the HHYC serving Burgers, dogs and side dishes. Many club members stopped in to see who won and check out the fish.

The Huntington Harbour Rod and Reel Club is a family-oriented club promoting Fishing based in the Harbor area. We promote fishing education, sponsor monthly tournaments and other family-oriented events. We have monthly seminar meetings on the third Thursday of each month at the HHYC. Meetings Are open to the public and doors are open at 6:30 PM.



## Physician, "Heal" Thyself

by Dr. Taryn Rose, Orthopedic Surgeon Turned Shoe Designer, @@enricocuini

"Where did you grow up?"

When people ask me that I immediately think of playing tennis for Canyon High School and walking home from practice up those large hills in Anaheim Hills. Then I think of my years at U.C. Irvine where I earned a degree in biology and philosophy because I didn't know if I wanted to go into medicine or law. U.C.I. was built around a ring and I liked that I covered I ended up following my father's footsteps and went to medical school. He wanted me to come back to Westminster to practice medicine and serve the local Vietnamese community, but this is where my dreams diverged from my immigrant parents' dreams. I dutifully went to medical school at the University of Southern California (close enough to come home to the OC for good food and family). I broke barriers when I became the first Vietnamese American woman to become an orthopedic surgeon in 1997. I wanted to continue breaking the mold.

In 1998 I launched my first shoe line named Taryn Rose. As an orthopedic surgeon I did long hours in the hospital but still wanted to be stylish when I was



not in the operating room. Long hours on my feet meant heels had to be adjusted to be comfortable and I was constantly stretching or padding new shoes trying to get them to feel better. I thought if I could just design the shoes to be comfortable and stylish women wouldn't need to go through what I was going through. I knew there were a lot of women like me because I also saw them as patients complaining of foot pain. Most didn't need surgery, they just needed better shoe options. I decided that I would be the first brand to create what is known as "salon comfort" which are luxury shoes created with fashion and style yet comfortable. I used a then relatively unknown material called Poron for shock absorption in fashion shoes. I learned about this material in diabetic foot clinic and thought if it's good enough to protect very vulnerable feet, it would be great for healthy feet as well. I used the softest possible leather and built in arch support as the other features of comfort.

I had some lucky breaks such as selling to Nordstrom at South Coast Plaza because that was my hometown store. Oprah discovered my brand and had me on her show which catapulted me from \$8 million in sales to \$16 million in 6 months. I was featured in all the major press including NY Times, Wall Street Journal, CNN, GMA, Extra and many more. The brand grew to \$40 million in sales and was in every high end department stores like Neiman Marcus, Saks, Nordstrom, Bloomingdales. In 2008 I was able to sell the company just two weeks before the Great Recession. Another lucky break!

I was happy to have a break after I sold the company because the shoe industry can be intense and grueling. Like any business it is hard work and immense pressure to maintain growth and profitability. I was happy to have time for my then 3 young children and focused on them for 5 years until my current partner, Enrico Cuini, came along with an offer I couldn't refuse.

When Enrico Cuini, an architect and industrial designer, put the prototype on my kitchen table I knew what he invented was revolutionary. I named his invention A.L.I.A. which stands for Active Lift in Alignment. It is the first dynamic support system for the foot and supports all three arches in your foot (most brands only focus on the inner arch). The increased in surface area from A.L.I.A. meant there was less pressure and more stability and more energy return. We got to work on developing the collection from that first



prototype. We decided to sell direct to consumers because the wholesale/retail model was so broken. It was a decision that made us not only survive but thrive during the pandemic. By working with the final customer we also realized that many women needed to have shoes made to their measurements to be comfortable. The one mold fits all paradigm in the shoe industry just doesn't work. So we started measuring feet and making made to measure shoes. When the pandemic hit we had to do the measurements virtually and that was the inspiration for our A.L.I.A AI app which can measure your feet from the comfort of your own home. I hope to be known as the first one to be able to sell custom shoes at scale. There are still molds to be broken after all.

For information about our shoes and our events go to EnricoCuini.com

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## La Familia

by Karen Branoff



La Familia met at Rodrigos for our planning meeting this month. We are planning a trip to Los Alamitos Race Track one evening, a fundraiser dinner at The Original Pizza Restaurant, a casino night and also a potluck event at the home of Peter and Shawn Hollub. We are excited about all of these fun events.

La Familia works year round to support Orangewood Children's Home.

100% of our dues and donations go to support the children. Each month

our President, Tim Branoff, attends the meetings at Orangewood. He reported that there are currently 66 kids living at Orangewood. The board listens to requests from representatives for the different age groups and they decide which requests are to be granted. This last month, our donations helped to fund a trip to Sherman Gardens, Yoga classes, art supplies, a cooking stipend (their kitchen is still under construction), indoor playground equipment and canopy

tents. Coming soon is "Beach Day." This event is held at Newport Back Bay and is a favorite for the kids.

So a big "THANK YOU" to all of our members who donate, pay their membership dues and have fun at events such as our St. Patricks party.

If you would like to join our important and fun-loving group, please contact our Membership Chairperson, Sparkie Ferguson, by phone at (562) 879-7888.



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## Sea Aisle Garden Club

by Lolly McHardy



Members holding Edinger Pathway project.

The Sea Aisle Garden Club April general meeting was held on the 12th of April at the SeaGate Yacht Club clubhouse.

At the meeting, SAGC Members approved to split the cost of the

Edinger Pathway Project with the City of Huntington Beach. The project will begin shortly. SAGC Members then went to enjoy lunch at Fisherman's restaurant in Los Alamitos.

We had a Board meeting May 10th. It was held at the home of Caron Mount. Members will enjoy their summer and we will have our installation of officers in September.



## **Huntington Harbour Art Association**

by Doreen Hill

Spring has been a time of new beginnings. For the first time we undertook a Fine and Fiber Arts show co-sponsored by the Sunset Beach Community Association and Sunset Beach Women's Club in March. Thank you to the many H H. Art Association volunteers and leadership of President Betty Viers and committee members Bea Tamo, Pat McKenna, Carrol Wolf, Jean Erstling, and JoAnn Rossi for an outstanding weekend. Besides the many examples of art by our talented group, a boutique of HHAA members hand crafted items were also for sale. Judge Judith Hendler awarded best of show in Fiber Arts to Barbara Larson for her cross stitch "Red Sails" and judge Son Do awarded best in show in Fine Arts to Carrol Wolf for her watercolor.

Several more awards in sub categories were also given to the many talented artists who participated. All the hard work was worth it to make this such a successful event.

Coinciding with the show was our Plein Air competition. It was a beautiful day for the participating painters and several onlookers alike. Situated on the green in Sunset Beach, it provided the fourteen painters varied subject matter. The funds raised go toward our scholarship fund. Judge Son Do awarded first place to Geoff Allen, second place to Jai Kim, and third place to Eileen McCullough.

Westminster High School Mural art fundraiser in April encouraged the talented young artists to create collages and murals on campus with proceeds from their works going toward scholarships. The inspiration artist came down from Canada to work with students in the rain, finishing a school themed intricate pen and ink collage in two days. Member and artist Judith Hendler was liaison for HHAA for this event.

Former mayor of Huntington Beach and HHAA member, Lyn Semeta, had encouraged more public art during her tenure and set in motion this effort. The first public art project is completed and was dedicated in Huntington Beach Central Park in May. The new sculpture is entitled "To See Yourself in Nature".



L-R: Carrol Wolf, Sharon Larson, Jean Erstling, Pat McKenna, JoAnn Rossi.

Our annual Show and Tell luncheon in May is always popular, as we get to see the Fine and Fiber artwork that we all have been creating over the past year. Look for more photos and inspiration to create in the next few months. New members are always welcome, so come join us in supporting art.

For Huntington Harbour Art Association membership information, please contact Nancy Phillips by email at nphillipster@gmail.com.



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