

LAS CANDALISTAS NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM THE CO-PRESIDENTS

From the Presidents' Desks:

At the October General Meeting we heard from the six selected philanthropies and voted for the top three. Our TOP THREE are 1736 Crisis Center, Community's Child, and Providence TrinityKids Care Hospice. Their presentations reminded us of the need in our community and why we work so hard to assist them.

Our Excursion Chairs, Susan Haas and Christina Jespersen arranged an afternoon at Chado Tea Room in downtown Torrance. We were quite the stylish group with our hats and good manners.

Our official Cook Day for Friends and Family was very productive. Many thanks to Ann Goodhart and Janie Hasselman and their expert team. It is always amazing what we all accomplish while working, talking and enjoying each other's friendship. This year the E4H Las Candalistas Creations group guided us in creating lovely items to sell to our guests at the Fall event.

Entertaining for the Holidays – "Art Inspired Entertaining" lived up to the theme and was as beautiful as promised. Our guests were inspired from the beginning of the day with the beautiful creative table designs, LC Boutique items, Sweet Shoppe, and Friends and Family goodies no one could resist, the lovely flower arrangements, and the Opportunity Drawing Pantages 5 Show package won by our own Marcia Butler. Each year Found Treasurers finds beautiful upscale items, and Silent Auction offers great packages for bidding. The exciting vendors, speakers and wonderful food provided by Entertaining Friends completed the day. A special thanks to Danielle Weinstock and Nanci Browning for chairing this event and foreseeing the truly beautiful vision. A special thank you to all members who donated sellable items, time, effort and worked to create another successful event.

Our Holiday Party will be held on December 21st at Michael's Tuscan Room. Please see the Holiday Dinner article in this newsletter for all the details.

**Marge & Judy
Co-Presidents**

ADOPT A FAMILY

This year we will sponsor a family from *1736 Crisis Center*, and another from *Family Promise of the South Bay*. We will start collecting for this year's Adopt a Family program at the November Meeting. We do not know the details or wish lists of these families at this point, but we know that we will need gift cards, cash, or checks (please write to Hollidae Brown) in order to shop for gifts. If you would like to donate to Adopt a Family ...thank you so much. If you would like to shop for items yourself, you may sign up for a specific item at the November meeting. If you cannot attend the November meeting, but would like to send a donation by mail, please send it to Hollidae Brown, 28315 Meadowmist Dr., RPV 90275. We will let everyone know about the date for wrapping the gifts!

We appreciate your help in ensuring that these families have a lovely holiday.

Thanks so much!

Hollidae and Karen

PHILANTHROPY

After some very heartfelt and moving presentations by the six charities previously selected, we had the difficult task of voting for the top three charities that will be the recipients of funds we raise this year for their major requests. The top three our voting members chose are: **1736 Family Crisis Center**, **Community's Child** and **TrinityKids Care Hospice**. The remaining three charities: **Family Promise of the South Bay**, **Marine Mammal Care Los Angeles** and **Toberman Neighborhood Center** will receive funding for their minor requests. The amounts, of course, will depend on the success of our fundraising efforts this year.

We are looking forward to working closely with our charities. In addition to the monetary contributions we will be making to them, we as individuals can also assist by contributing items when we hold collections from their wish lists, volunteering our time to their programs or attending their fundraising events. Following are two opportunities we are participating in right now:

- 1. Community's Child is holding a coat drive. I will be collecting clean, reusable coats and jackets on their behalf to be distributed free to children and adults in our community. Please bring your donation(s) to our November general meeting. Community's Child will accept coats and jackets for men and women as well as boys and girls. All sizes are welcome, including baby.**
- 2. Thursday, November 15th, volunteers from Las Candalistas will meet at Community's Child offices to assemble the fixings for Thanksgiving dinners that will be delivered to deserving families that receive support from their Healthy Bags Program. Twelve volunteers are need between the hours of 9:00 am and 12 noon on the 15th. Please email me if you're able to attend.**

If you have any questions please reach out to me.

Amy Mosher
Philanthropy Chair

SECOND OUTING

Date: November 9th, Friday

Where: Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple, King Richards Antique Center

Cost: \$9.00

Enjoy a guided tour and buffet vegetarian lunch at the Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple. Then on to King Richard's to shop their antiques.

We will meet at 10:00 a.m. at the Hsi Lai Buddhist Temple at 3450 Glenmark Drive, Hacienda Heights 626-961-9697. Our guided tour starts at 10:30 a.m. After the tour, we will have a vegetarian buffet lunch at the temple. Around 1:00 p.m., we will travel to King Richard's at 12301 Whittier Blvd, Whittier. It is a 15 min drive from the Temple to the Antique store.

Email or call Susan Haas, 310-713-7608 by Nov 5 if you want to go so we can make the reservations. Please write check for \$9.00 to Susan Haas. You can give Susan the check the day of the outing.

We will send out a list of members attending so you can form your own car pools.

It will be fun!!!

Susan and Christina
Excursions

MEMBERSHIP

We hope that you checked out the photos of the great Royal Wedding Party on the Las Candalistas Facebook Page. Everyone looked fabulous in their royal wedding attire! Congrats to Pam Barrett and Naci Browning for winning the 'best dressed' prizes!

This month we have 2 months of birthdays to celebrate!



Happy Birthday To Our November Birthday Girls!

Yvonne Vick 11/05

Polly Goodman 11/8

Joanne Condon 11/15

Shirley Benton Lyon 11/21

Kathy Johnston 11/25

Ilse Getman 11/28

Happy Birthday To Our December Birthday Girls!

Lisa Sierveld 12/2

Francie Chandler 12/3

Christa McManaman 12/4

Sandy Olinger 12/9

Sue Karbach 12/10

Sue Andraos 12/12

Val Stanton 12/14

Daniel Weinstock 12/15

Ann Boyt 12/17

Pat Hoffman 12/22

**Paula Redmond and Debbie Sampson
Membership**

SUNSHINE

Dear Members,

We have encouraging news from Sustainers Shelley Pogorelsky and Deri Antrim. Following a recent foot fracture, Shelley was able to attend last Thursday's E4H event in a fashionable new boot. You can't keep a good woman down! Deri continues to recover from her ankle injury. She is still using a walker, but looks forward to setting it aside in the near future. She loves to have visitors!

Spreading cheer,
**Jennifer and Karen
Sunshine Co-Chairs**

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

I am pleased to report that all the 2018-19 Rosters have been distributed! A big "Thank You" to all of you who took Rosters to deliver to those who live near you! It certainly made my job easier and I truly appreciate it.

**Laura Webb
Corresponding Secretary**

"ART INSPIRED ENTERTAINING"

Dear Las Candalistas Members,

We would like to thank you again for your support of this year's event. There was such a buzz in the room – Las Candalistas creativity, our charities, our speakers, the food, etc. All the committees did a fabulous job and put their hearts and souls into their work. We know many of you were working hard over the summer and right up until set-up. Your efforts really did show, and our guests were in awe.

At the risk of forgetting to thank any particular committee or member, we send a blanket "thank you!!" We know that whether you set-up and/or worked the event or attended as a guest, your support was immeasurable. It's too early to know dollar-wise what a success the event was, but measured in creativity and excitement, it was a big hit!

For committee members, please turn in check requests for your expenses at the November meeting so we can figure out our bottom line and determine how much the event netted, in addition to the excitement! Please return clean tablecloths at the Nov meeting.

Both the Daily Breeze and Peninsula People were in attendance, and we are confident the images of Art Inspired Entertaining will be a great Las Candalistas showpiece in these publications. We were told we are getting an article in the Daily Breeze, so keep an eye out for that.

**With gratitude,
Danielle and Nanci
E4H 2018 Co-Chairs**

E4H Sweet Shoppe

Thank you all so much for your support in being our faithful customers and purchasing many of our sweets.

We would especially like to thank Hollidae Brown, Donna Ciminera, Cheryl Deppe, Polly Goodman, Anne Nelson, Marge Rankin, Jan Raymond, Paula Redmond and Karen Stockbridge for making many of the delicious items.

Thank you to Judy Armstrong for her help with packaging and transporting all of our items to the venue and for underwriting the cost of the Van Gogh Starry Night Cake. And thank you to Tracey Pepper, the lucky winner of the beautiful and delicious cake, for sharing it with our guests and members!

We would also like to thank Elaine Trutanich for loaning us her amazing Starry Night original masterpiece to display at our booth.

We could not do this without your help, thank you all so much! Thank you!

**Irene Almeida, Kathy Black and Carla Smith
Sweet Shoppe Committee**

Thank You All

I would like to thank all those that volunteered to help with clean up! Laurie Anderson, Jennifer Sittel, Yvonne Vick, Bonnie Insana, Debbie Sampson along with many other Las Candalistas ladies who helped out. To these ladies, a big Thank You!!

Many thanks and much gratitude!

Michelle Joye

E4H Flower Committee

Many thanks to Marlyn Franklin and Val Stanton for helping arrange flowers for E4H. Our guests enjoyed the beautiful arrangements and most of them were purchased at the end of the day. Our bountiful blooms contributed a bit the event income.

With Gratitude,

Jennifer Sittel
Flower Committee Chair

OPPORTUNITY DRAWING

The winner of the Opportunity Drawing was **Marcia Butler**. Congratulations, Marcia!

Amy Moser
Opportunity Drawing

E4H FOUND TREASURES

We would like to thank you for the many generous and beautiful treasures that were donated for this event as well as the many purchases that you all made. Found Treasures is a lot of work during September and October and the 2 days needed for E4H. Special applause goes out to Nancy B, Sue Karbach, Susan U., Judy Morehead, Judy H., Jane, Cheryl G., Sharon L., and Marlyn F. (hope I named everyone!!)
Thank you!

Suzanne Manavian and Sue Karbach
Found Treasures

LAS CANDALISTAS ANNUAL HOLIDAY DINNER

Michael's Tuscany Room

470 West 7th Street
San Pedro

Friday, DECEMBER 21, 2018

6:00 pm

Our holiday dinner and no host bar is fast approaching.
The evening begins with a Hors d' oeuvre station consisting of

Bruschetta and Calamari Fritti

Followed by **Michael's House Salad**

Fresh Greens with Shredded Carrots and Tomato Wedge
Served with Balsamic Vinaigrette

Choice of one entrée consisting of

Chicken Marsala

or

Salmon Chardonnay Sauce

or

Prime Rib Au Jus

All served with a Basket of Bread, Fresh Vegetables and Roasted Potatoes

Dessert

Please indicate your entrée choice on your check for \$57.00 per person and mail to me.

Judy Armstrong
2735 West 233rd Street
Torrance, CA 90505

FRIENDS AND FAMILY HOLIDAY SALE

We would like to thank everyone who gave us an order for the Holiday Sale items, for encouraging their friends, neighbors, and family to order, and helping at the church to get the items made and ready to deliver.

We would especially like to thank our group of helpers—Janie Woodburn (chief cook), Patt Crane (chief measurer), Laura Webb (lady of all duties), Polly Goodman (another lady doing all). Also, our super choppers—Michelle Joye & Elaine Trutanich, and several others at the church. And-- Brigitte Haber, Patt Crane, & Dita Lantz for their help in the Haber kitchen.

Thank you, thank you!!

The orders will be delivered at the November General Meeting on November 14th. If you will not be at the meeting to receive your order, please contact Ann Goodhart (310-373-1849 or annrgoodhart@gmail.com) to arrange a pick up for your order.

We will have some items for sale at the meeting, if you would like to add to your order.

Thank you!

**Ann Goodhart & Janie Hasselman
Friends and Family Sale**

THRIFT – NOVEMBER 2018

We **WILL NOT** be collecting Thrift items at the November meeting. This is the final month we collect the new cosmetic and toiletry items for the Holiday Gift bags that we deliver to our charities in December. Please hold all Thrift items of clothing, etc. and used cosmetics until January.

TOILETRIES

Last year, with your generous donations, we donated 595 bags to our charities. 120 of these bags are for men. The following items are needed for both women and men:

Men

Toiletry bags – We need more of these. Dark colors for men (airline kits work well for this), deodorant, combs, razors.

Women

Toiletry bags, deodorant, combs, makeup, lipstick and nail polish

Toothbrushes and toothpaste for all kits – please ask your dentist to donate. And keep collecting the hotel toiletries.

**Donna Ciminera and Jan Raymond
Thrift Chairs**



Members Request

Dear Members,

From Oct 29 - Nov 2, AmazonSmile will increase the donation rate on all eligible smile.amazon.com purchases. This will be our largest bonus donation promotion to date, and is a great opportunity for Las Candalistas to increase its AmazonSmile donations. To ensure that Las Candalistas benefits from this opportunity, I am asking you to PLEASE tell your friends and family to add us to their Amazon account. It's free money that would go to such an incredible cause. In addition to signing up for AmazonSmile, remind your friends and family to connect their Ralph's cards to Las Candalistas. Here's how:

Ralph's:

*Call 1-800-443-4438 (Hold for the Gift Certificate Community Contribution Program)

*Have your Ralph's Rewards card and/or phone #

*Inform the operator to link your Rewards card to Las Candalistas, NPO #SH584

Amazon Smile:

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-4270483> Bookmark the link so eligible purchases go to benefit Las Candalistas.

Please email or text me with verification of sign-ups by November 10th, and you will be entered into a raffle to win a bottle of wine. Email me at Kblack@tusd.org or text me at 310-721-0622. The winner will be announced at the November meeting.

Thanks in advance for your support and dedication to our cause!!!

Kathy Black
Ralph's and Amazon

NOVEMBER 2018

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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			Officers Meeting		HisLai Buddhist Temple, King Richards Antique Center	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			General Meeting			
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
				Happy Thanksgiving		
25	26	27	28	29	30	