

LAS CANDALISTAS JUNE NEWSLETTER

From the President's Desk:



Greetings Ladies,

It has been a privilege to serve as the Las Candalistas President during the 2019-2020 year. There have been fun-filled memories of our group as we moved from the Fall, then the Winter. Then came many days of brooding, and thought-provoking worries about what the Pandemic was having on our world, and especially having on all those people I personally knew. Each of you were included in my worries so I prayed you stayed safe.

As to where the months and years ahead will lead me, I will always reflect back to this year in Las Candalistas. Those reflections won't be about our charities, how many events we held. The memories will be all about the members. As volunteers, your individual kindnesses are in full view. As women, your individual kindnesses are also what you each do to nurture each other. When you put these two attributes together, the magic happens. And, the charities receive.

As an individual, I prefer things that don't exactly match. Therefore, I always find it the most interesting when people also don't match. Las Candalistas members are almost an ideal blend... opinions, cultures, ages, interests, hobbies, and languages.

My initial draft for the last 'President's Desk' article contained many words of appreciation as I tried to thank each individual that has assumed responsibilities throughout this year. I worried I would leave someone out, or just leave out an entire committee! So, my thank-you to all of you. The many hours of planning, working, making decisions, that our members', chairs', officers', and board members' have contributed are extremely appreciated.

My heart wants to recognize the efforts and work that our strong, supportive, loyal and caring associates and sustainers have contributed. Please know that your help on our projects is a blessing. For many others who read our emails, the newsletters, the many experiences shared by others on

Facebook, etc. a big “Thank You” for keeping the bench warm. You have continued to contribute to our foundation and our many years of success. If I sit here quietly, tune out the noise, and close my eyes, I think I can hear them clapping.

Suzanne’s Presidential Theme for 2019-20:

(My end-of-the-year reflection on the theme I presented last June 2019 (highlighted in bold letters below)

- ***Unexpected Blessings*** - *Despite the world canceling major events, due to the COVID-19 virus, Las Candalistas created a new way to raise money.*
- ***Unexpected Moments of Joy*** – *We welcomed enthusiastic new members.*
- ***Unexpected Surprises of Happiness*** – *We experienced a global reset-and that became a reset-button for humanity. Kindness is most important when it is shared.*

Remember Ladies..... Life isn't about waiting for the storm to pass ... it's about learning to dance in the rain!

Before we go, hold up your champagne glasses as I propose a toast “*Thank you for your support, kind words, and for making this year a success. I’ll see you in September if the creek don’t rise.*”

Suzanne Manavian

President 2019-2020



BOARD OF DIRECTORS THANK YOU'S

Many thanks to the Board of Directors - Janis Davis, Tracey Peffer, Sue Spellacy and Janie Woodburn for their support and assistance. It has been my pleasure to work beside each of you and I especially appreciate your help with the many necessary changes that had to be made to our fundraising procedures during the extenuating circumstances we had to endure this year.

Tracey Peffer, Janie Woodburn and I have completed our two-year term and will be leaving the Board. Janis Davis and Sue Spellacy will be continuing for one more year and will be joined by Polly Goodman, Jennifer Sittel, and Karen Tucker. I wish them all well and hope they have a great experience and enjoy their service to Las Candalistas next year.

I would also like to thank our President Suzanne Manavian. Through all of the many challenges our organization has endured this year Suzanne kept an open mind and open heart to continue our fundraising efforts with many changes. It was a pleasure to work with her.

Lastly, I would like to thank Janis Davis, Selina Hamilton, Polly Goodman, Laura Henson, Suzanne Manavian, Tracey Peffer, Marge Rankin, Debbie Sampson, Susan Sanborn, Sue Spellacy, Yvonne Vick, and Janie Woodburn for participating in the Donor/Sponsor Program that was initiated this year. Thank you so much for your time and input in this important fundraising aspect of our organization. We established a format for Sponsorship levels to standardize the way we thank and acknowledge our donors and sponsors.

We were also in the midst of working on Corporate/Business Relationships and have plans to continue conversations on that next year. We will be looking for personal relationships to connect Las Candalistas to a business or corporation. We ask that each member please keep that in mind and let anyone of us know if you have a connection that may help us help our philanthropies, thanks so much!

I hope that all of you will have a safe, healthy and wonderful summer!

Irene Almeida, Chairman Board of Directors

OFFICERS AND BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR 2020-2021

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the **Slate of Officers and Board of Directors** for your Las Candalistas 2020-2021 Year!

Officers

President – Paula Tuckerman

V.P. Philanthropy & Donations: Suzanne Manavian and Susan Sanborn (Cathy Howard shadowing)

V.P. Ways & Means: Ann Goodhart and Janie Hasselman

V.P. Membership: Lorri Mino and Lisa Nesicolaci

Treasurer: Judy Armstrong

Recording Secretary: Debbie Sampson

Corresponding Secretary: Laura Webb

Parliamentarian: Amy Mosher

Board of Directors

Janis Davis

Polly Goodman

Jennifer Sittel

Sue Spellacy

Karen Tucker

This is a great line-up of talented women ready to lead us through next year. Thank you all for stepping up to take on these important jobs!

Also, we extend a huge thank you to the 2019-2020 Leadership teams who have helped to make this fundraising year a successful one.

E4H – Janie Hasselman/Ann Goodhart

Friends and Family – Janie Hasselman/Ann Goodhart/Janie Woodburn/Laura Webb

Spring Event – Debbie Sampson/Karen Stockbridge/Janie Woodburn

**Your 2019-2020 Board of Directors,
Irene Almeida, Tracey Pepper, Janie Woodburn, Janis Davis and Sue Spellacy**

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Dear Ladies,

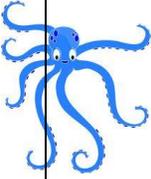
It has been a pleasure over the past year to be your Parliamentarian. This will be my last contribution to the newsletter. I'm sorry that we won't be having our June Luncheon, but I look forward to seeing you all at social events in the very near future.

As a reminder, in order to vote, an Associate Member must submit a written request each year to the Parliamentarian asking to be granted Voting Associate status. The request does not roll-over to the following year. If a request is not received by June 30th, 2020, the membership reverts to "Associate Member: Non-voting" status. Please submit your request to Hollidae Brown at brown-bunch@msn.com or by mail to Hollidae Brown at 28315 Meadowmist Drive, RPV, CA 90275.

Hope everyone can enjoy a fun and safe summer.

**Hollidae Brown
Parliamentarian**

OCTOPUS'S GARDEN 2020 SPRING EVENT



The Octopus's Garden Virtual Event is coming to a close. **We are so grateful for the help of so many members!** Rather than just say, "Event is cancelled, that's too bad", our group has continued to diligently work on fundraising via social media, donation mail, and the online Bidding for Good website. And...it has paid off! We are looking at approximately \$25,000 in sales and donations since we started our online push! We really appreciate all who forwarded the emails, shared the Facebook posts, told their friends and neighbors as well as made donations of ALL sizes! Thank you.

Many of our members have been working hard on the online auction and sale. First and foremost, Laura Henson our webmaster! Laura has uploaded and posted all the information about each item and communicated with the buyers. Many thanks to Sue Soldoff and Karyn Farris who organized the solicitation of Silent Auction prizes which we put onto the website. The total for AUCTION items, including the Wyland Painting is over \$11,000.

A team of members worked together like a well-oiled machine to either contact, deliver or mail items sold. Special thanks to Irene Almeida, Lorri Mino, Paula Redmond, Paula Tuckerman, and Danielle Weinstock. Also, thanks to: Nanci Browning, Cheryl Deppe, Lisa Nesicolaci, Cathy Howard, Hollidae Brown, Anne Nelson and Lucy Hueber who had offered and were on standby to help.

As always, Janie Hasselman is a sewing ROCK STAR. Besides selling hand sewn masks, Janie has been cranking out and selling aprons, casserole and pie caddies, jewelry pouches, travel makeup bags, and tea wallets. Her efforts and earnings have been incredible.

Ann Goodhart, Belinda Krekorian, and Monika Bauer have sold a number of fabulous Home and Garden Shop items also via the "buy now" tab on the website. We appreciate all of your efforts to keep the arrangements alive and well!

LC Creations and their team also made available several of their beautiful handmade items for sale on the site! Thank you for your leadership, Michelle Joye and Susan Sanborn!

Even Found Treasures put a few high-end items on the auction, thank you Brigitte and Judy!

The hand etched wine glasses have been selling very well. There are more available, contact Janie Woodburn.

Nancy Bruce, Sharon Logan, and Nancy Hauge with the help of Karen Tucker, Cathy Howard, and Monika Bauer, presold all of the loaves of bread which we made during bake days at the church. They arranged a pickup day last Friday.

We organized the members "by appointment only social distancing sale" for glasses, jewelry, LC creations, sewing, garden, and centerpiece items which was successful. Thanks to Selina, Michelle, Ann, and Janie for manning these activities.

In addition to the Constant Contact advertisement for fundraising and donations, we mailed out 750 mailers including a donation envelope designed by Janis Davis. Thanks to Karen Tucker, Nancy Bruce, Laura Webb, and Suzanne Manavian for stuffing the mailing! And the donations

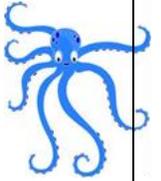
HAVE been coming in! Polly Goodman and Judy Armstrong have been handling all of the donations and moneys from these.

On #GIVINGTUESDAY some members had successful Facebook fundraising, including Irene Almeida and Paula Tuckerman! Thanks gals. (If we have inadvertently left any names out, we apologize and are so grateful.)

So... bottom line at the time of this post, all these efforts have resulted in around \$25,000 net. (We can report more accurate and by category numbers later.) We are so proud of our “village” for not letting a pandemic stop us in our tracks of raising money for our charities.

Thank you all for your help, your trust, and your donations of time, money, goods, and energy!

Karen, Debbie and Janie... 3 Octopus...out!



BAKE SHOP

Thank you to everyone who bought our bread and rescued it from the freezer at Neighborhood Church. We're so happy to be able to add to the contributions which will go to our charities. Our members always come to the rescue when needed!

Gratefully,

L.C. Bake Team: Sharon, Nancy H., Cathy, Monika and Nancy B. (special thanks to Brigitte Haber and Karen Tucker for their special help.)

OCTOPUS'S HOME AND GARDEN SHOP

We would like to thank all who have bought items from the H&G Shop. Members are THE BEST shoppers!! We appreciate your support and hope you enjoy your purchases for years to come.

Also, we would like to thank all those that donated containers and plant cuttings from your gardens, to Judy Armstrong for growing her baby whales and birdcages, and a big thank you to Susan Haas for making the beautiful umbrella pots!

We wish you a happy and healthy summer!

Ann, Belinda, & Monika



MEMBERSHIP

For those of you who have already sent in your dues, thank you. For those who have not, this is a friendly reminder that dues are due June 30th in order for your contact information to be included in the 2020-21 Roster. Please mail them to Paula Redmond at 4921 Paseo del Pavon Torrance, CA 90505.

Our dues this year are: Active -\$75.00 (including supply fee), Associate -\$95.00 (including supply fee), and Sustainer - \$100.00.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR SUMMER BIRTHDAY GIRLS!!!

June

Diane Stone 6/5
Susan Sanborn 6/7
Barb Morel 6/21

Melissa Clifford 6/6
Linda Rodrick 6/19
Cindy Macfarlane 6/25

Jane Butler Jackson 6/7
Susan Haas 6/20
Rori Roje 6/30

July

Jane McNeil 7/1
Michelle Joye 7/6
Peggy Gussman 7/9
Judy Holman 7/15
Nina Smith 7/20
Pat Crane 7/26

Carla Smith 7/3
Beverly Holman 7/7
Paula Redmond 7/12
Ann Hugh 7/16
Monika Bauer 7/21
Kitty Edler 7/27

Julie Waldron 7/5
Lisa Winkelspect 7/8
Laura Webb 7/13
Nancy MacTavish 7/17
Ginny Bleier 7/22

August

Victoria Schoenfield 8/6
Sue Spellacy 8/21

Sharon Logan 8/11
Anne Rode 8/26

Sallie Reeves 8/16
Donna Scoular 8/29

Debbie Sampson and Paula Redmond
Membership Chairs

LAS CANDALISTAS DUES FORM

NAME: _____

_____ ACTIVE \$55.00

_____ ASSOCIATE \$75.00

_____ SUSTAINER \$100.00

_____ I AM AN ACTIVE OR ASSOCIATE AND I AM PAYING
MY \$20.00 SUPPLY FEE NOW (on the same check)

TOTAL AMOUNT: _____

Please make your check payable to Las Candalistas and send to:

**PAULA REDMOND
4921 PASEO DEL PAVON
TORRANCE, CA 90505**

PLEASE SUBMIT BEFORE THE JUNE 30TH DEADLINE TO BE
INCLUDED IN THE 2020-2021 LAS CANDALISTAS ROSTER

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PAYMENT!!

PLEASE INDICATE ANY CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO YOUR
ROSTER INFORMATION BELOW. ONLY FILL IN IF YOU
HAVE CHANGES.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SPOUSE'S NAME _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____ CELL PHONE: _____

BIRTH DATE: _____ YEAR JOINED: _____

LC DIGITAL NEWS

I hope you all have enjoyed the constant contacts and social media we have been publishing. Karen Stockbridge has spent a lot of effort making the fabulous videos we have used in our posts! I appreciate those of you that have shared and forwarded our posts, it does make a difference. This has helped to spread the word about the work we do, our virtual event and our philanthropies. We have received a fair number of donations as a result!

Thank you event chairs Debbie Sampson, Karen Stockbridge, and Janie Woodburn for your dedication to LC and our charities. It has been a lot of work the last months, and our 3 chairs have been at it non-stop! I've enjoyed being a part of the "digital" team and helping create and manage the Bidding For Good Auction Site. I feel, despite the challenges faced by the coronavirus pandemic, that we, as an organization, showed our perseverance and flexibility, and I think we did pretty well!

Here's to a successful 2020-21 season, whatever it brings...

Laura Henson-Broussard

Website, Constant Contact, Social Media.....

AMAZON SMILE AND RALPHS

ATTENTION AMAZON SMILE SHOPPERS!

Please **enroll!** go to <http://smile.amazon.com/ch/95-4270483> and bookmark this link so that all of your eligible shopping will benefit Las Candalistas.

ATTENTION RALPHS SHOPPERS!

All you need to do is **call 1-800-443-4438** to register. Give the Ralphs' representative your phone number and designate Las Candalistas **NPO # SH584** to receive your contributions.

The Ralphs receipt will no longer note Las Candalistas donation as they have decided to use less paper. The program will record the donation!

Please feel free to call me or email should you have questions!

Mary Ross, mmgatross@aol.com or 310-544-4417

THRIFT

When the virus closed down all of the charities we stopped collecting and we will not start again until we know we have places to donate.

We will accept **NEW** cosmetics and toiletries during the summer to be saved for our holiday toiletry kits. Please **don't include any used items** as we have no place to deliver them until charities open up again. Call Jan or Donna first before you leave **new items** at our homes. Donna is in a gated community and has to leave your name at the gate.

If you have items you would like to donate during the summer months, [and charities are accepting](#), listed below are the charities we support.

Donna and Jan Thrift Chairs

1. SHAWL
936 S. Centre, San Pedro, open 9:00 – 5:00 Mon - Sat
Phone: 310- 521-9310

Women's everyday clothes, cosmetics, new and used.

2. House of Hope
235 W. 9th St, San Pedro, staff on duty at all times
Phone: 310-831-9411

Women's clothes all sizes. Also, good clothes suitable for job interviews. Cosmetics/Toiletries including opened containers. Sheets, towels, household items and cell phones

3. YWCA
437 W. 9th Street, San Pedro, open for deliveries 9am-4pm, Mon-Fri (**12N-1pm closed for lunch**)
Phone: 310-547-0831

Thrift Store – 310-547-2332 – (open 8:30am-4pm Mon-Fri, 9:30am-3pm Sat. & Sun.)
Clothing, household knickknacks, miscellaneous items which will sell in their thrift shop.

4. Toberman Neighborhood Center
131 N. Grand, San Pedro, open Mon-Fri 9am to 5pm Phone: 310-832-1145

They can always use school supplies. Items for their Thrift Shop. Also canned goods, dry foods for their Food Pantry

5. Harbor Interfaith Shelter

Office: 670 W 9th Street, San Pedro, open 8:30am-5:30pm Mon-Fri. Closed Sat & Sun.
Entrance through rear of building parking area for donations.

Phone: 310 831-0603

Sort by women's, men's, children's. Good clothes, suitable for job interviews or court interviews should be separate and clearly labeled. Sheets, towels, dishes, silverware, small appliances always welcome.

6. Beacon House – **MEN** only

1003 So. Beacon Street, San Pedro 310-514-4940

Men's clothing, casual and dress

Thrift Shop – 812 S. Pacific Ave. San Pedro, 310-514-4940

Please note that the charities do not need any dressy clothing such as cocktail dresses, etc. Those items can be donated to PalosVerdes Resale, 2321 PCH, Lomita. Phone # is 310-534-1722. Open Tues – Saturday 10am – 4pm. All proceeds from their Thrift Shop are donated to many of the same charities we support.



JUNE 2020

June Birthdays

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	01	02	03	04	05	06
			Officers Meeting Via ZOOM		Diane Stone	Melissa Clifford
07	08	09	10	11	12	13
Jane Butler Jackson Susan						
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	Philan- thropy Meeting 1:00 pm Via ZOOM				Linda Rodrick	Susan Haas
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Barb Morel				Cindy Macfarlane		
28	29	30				
		Deadline to apply for Voting Associate Rori Roji	6/30 Deadline For Philan- thropy Nominations 2020-21			



JULY BIRTHDAYS

Jane McNeil	7/1
Carla Smith	7/3
Julie Waldron	7/5
Michelle Joye	7/6
Beverly Holman	7/7
Lisa Winkelspect	7/8
Peggy Gussman	7/9
Paula Redmond	7/12
Laura Webb	7/13
Judy Holman	7/15
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Monika Bauer	7/21
Ginny Bleier	7/22
Pat Crane	7/26
Kitty Edler	7/27

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Victoria Schoenfeld	8/6
Sharon Logan	8/11
Sallie Reeves	8/16
Sue Spellacy	8/21
Anne Rode	8/26
Donna Scoular	8/29

HAVE A SAFE AND FUNFILLED SUMMER!!!