

# LAS CANDALISTAS MARCH NEWSLETTER

## LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's almost Spring! The pandemic seems to be waning again (fingers crossed). Flowers are blooming. The Busy Bees are buzzing with creativity, planning, and excitement for our Spring Event "The Secret Life of Bees."

We will be meeting IN PERSON for the first time since November. Out of our utmost respect for our members who are personally, or are caring for at -risk or immune compromised individuals, we will continue with our mask requirement and no food or beverages at this meeting. Let's hope we can get back to our old normal soon. I do love the energy that being in person brings to our meetings. And I am looking forward to seeing all of your eyeballs in person again!

The nominating committee is in full swing filling the slate of Officers for next year. If you're feeling disconnected, out of the loop, bored...there is NO better way to get to know your fellow Las Candalistas members or to truly understand our mission than to become an Officer or Board of Directors member. Read more of this in the newsletter...

The "Secret Life of Bees" Event is the focus of our activity right now. Our Queen Bees will have a lot to share with you at this meeting. They have so much fun planned! Members, if you are not working on a committee but would like to attend this event as a paying guest, please be sure to purchase your tickets when they go on sale March 16. We were required to cap our ticket sales at 250 this year (100 less than previous years.) Our last 2 events sold out! You don't want to miss out on the fun. If you will not be in town and cannot help, please consider sending a donation to help us offset rising prices or contribute to the Silent Auction!

As I said, the committees are all a-buzz right now. It's a wonderful sight to see so much creativity and energy in the works. We have two bake days planned...be sure to attend and help with baking, packaging, crafts, etc. I am so grateful for everyone who is working so hard and/or contributing to make this event special. If you haven't stepped up to help out yet, what are you waiting for? Be sure to read on to discover ways to get in on the fun...

**Karen Stockbridge**  
President



## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

We will be accepting nominations for the 2022-2024 Board of Directors at the March General Meeting. Members of the Board serve for two years. This year there will be three (3) Board openings.

The responsibilities of the Board include: reviewing and approving any action taken by the Officers regarding the Bylaws, Standing Rules and financial matters of Las Candalistas. All members of the Board shall also serve as members of the Philanthropy Committee and the Nominating Committee which nominates and approves the slate of Officers for the following year.

If you would like to be nominated, please contact a member of the Board or have a friend nominate you. If you are planning to nominate someone, please contact her prior to making the nomination to ensure her willingness to serve if she is elected.

Questions? Contact Laura Webb @ 352-232-3999 or [lapwebb@gmail.com](mailto:lapwebb@gmail.com)

**Laura Webb, Chair  
Hollidae Brown, Polly Goodman, Janie Hasselman, Karen Tucker  
Board of Directors**

## **PARLIAMENTARIAN**

Welcome back to in-person meetings!!

Our March general meeting will be held on March 9, 2022 at:

Peninsula Center Library Community Room (library level)  
701 Silver Spur Road  
Rolling Hills Estates, Ca 90274

9:00 social

9:30 meeting begins

**Please be advised at this time Masks are still mandatory while in the library.**

**Per COVID mandates no outside food and/or drinks are allowed in the library.**

**Karyn Farris  
Parliamentarian**

## **THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES - 2022 SPRING EVENT**

**April 21<sup>st</sup> at Catalina View Gardens**

It's hard to believe that after a 2 year absence, our Spring Event is just weeks away! All of our committees are very busy preparing for the big day. On Feb.18<sup>th</sup>, we did a CVG walk through, which was very helpful to visualize where things will be and how they will be set up..

We appreciate all of the hard work that everyone is doing and can't wait to see all of the great ideas come together for our event.

So, mark your calendars and tell your friends, because you won't want to miss exploring and learning about The Secret Life of Bees!

Read more below to see all the ways you can still help our committees. There is something for everyone!

**Cathy Howard, Lorri Mino, Lisa Nesicolaci**  
**The Queen Bees**

### **THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES - COMMITTEES**

#### **Bakeshop**

Judy Moorhead and Polly Goodman have decided to join the hive as Bake Chairs now that so much of the preliminary work has already been completed by our fabulous Queen Bees, Cathy, Lisa and Lorri. We are all doing the waggle dance, and we're excited to announce that after 2 years, we're back to having Bake Days. For those of you who have not participated before, this is an excellent way to work together on projects for our Spring Event, renew old friendships, and get to know our new members, and best of all, just see everyone's smiling faces.

#### **PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:**

**WHERE:** Riviera United Methodist Church (downstairs off the back parking lot)  
375 Palos Verdes Blvd, Redondo Beach

**WHEN:** Tuesday, 3/22 and Monday, 4/18

#### **What you need to know:**

- Wear comfortable clothes
- Closed toed shoes
- Your Las Candalistas apron (Provisionals, you just wear whatever apron you have until you receive your official one at the end of the year!)
- A comfortable baseball cap to tuck your hair in. We will also be providing lovely hairnets if you don't have a cap.

We have exciting workshops planned in addition to baking, so Bee Kind and come out and join your hive!

Thank you!

**Judy Moorhead and Polly Goodman**  
**Bakeshop Chairs**

## Members Hospitality

**WE NEED TO FEED OUR VOLUNTEERS!!**



We need volunteers to bring a dish for Members Hospitality on the March 22nd Bake Day. Breakfast or lunch dishes would be appreciated – casseroles, fruit, salads, or desserts. We will provide the beverages, plates, napkins, and cutlery, etc.. If you are able to help, please contact Karen Tucker at [karensuetucker@cox.net](mailto:karensuetucker@cox.net) or 310-750-5982.

Thank you so much!!

**Karen Tucker**  
**Members Hospitality**

## Reservations/Mailing Lists

Let us know if there are any updates to people on your mailing list or if you would like to add someone!

Provisionals: please send us any names, addresses, emails of people you would like to receive our Constant Contact email marketing or mailings (invites to events, Insider newsletter). Email address only is fine! Send to Polly at [pollygoodman@cox.net](mailto:pollygoodman@cox.net)

Thank you!

**Polly Goodman and Laura Henson-Broussard**  
**Reservations**

## Social Media and Constant Contact (Email Marketing)

A Constant Contact email with the Spring Event invite will be sent out March 16<sup>th</sup>. Watch for it and forward it to friends and family! If you don't see the email in your primary inbox, check your promotions tab or spam. You can also add [lascandalistas@gmail.com](mailto:lascandalistas@gmail.com) to your contact list. That can help the emails land in your primary inbox.

We'll be promoting the Spring Event on our social media platforms: Facebook and Instagram. Please like and share our posts!

Thank you!

**Laura Henson-Broussard**  
**Social Media and Email Marketing**

## LC Creations

During our March 22, bake day, we will be making bee earrings. If you are interested in making yourself a pair, the cost will be \$5. **Please notify me at [bljs@msn.com](mailto:bljs@msn.com) by 3/11** if you would like to have supplies to make these beautiful earrings for the Spring event.

Buzzing with excitement for our LC Creations line up of Bee themed gifts and must haves.

Thanks!!

**Lynda Black**

## Found Treasures

Some of our members have reached out to friends for items and cleaned out their own hutches and we have an amazing amount of "Treasures".

Because of our limited storage capacity, we are asking that all donations meet a deadline of March 14.

Please contact Judy Moorhead or Brigitte Haber for drop off information.  
We appreciate your contributions.

Thank you,  
**Brigitte Haber, Hollidae Brown and Judy Moorhead**

## Logistics

Logistics will move items from storage (afternoon of Tuesday April 19) to the Venue Site on Wednesday April 20<sup>th</sup>. Please make a list of the items you will need. There will be a set of available times that chairmen can go to the Rancho Containers to mark the items that need to go to the Event venue for set up. There will be an eblast detailing the dates and times. As we have done so many times in the past, Chairmen will mark the items they will use with painters' tape and a sharpie stating the name of the Committee as well as the year. So..for example Garden Shop would write "Garden 2022".

We need muscle. If you have strong gal friends, guy friends, husbands, sons or know of anyone who can help with lifting, please let us know. We need a U-Haul driver as well. Please contact us.

Logistics/Suzanne Manavian will keep your running list and can modify it as you go. Email or call me.

**Suzanne Manavian**  
[suzannemanavian@gmail.com](mailto:suzannemanavian@gmail.com)  
home(310 544 2822)  
cell (310 344 3415)

## Luncheon

Hello Ladies! I hope you are all healthy and ready for our exciting Spring Event! Our Luncheon Committee has hit the ground running and we are so excited for all of the festivities. We will need some help from our members. We will be wrapping the flatware and napkins at the Bake Days in March. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

We are once again asking the ladies that loaned us baskets to serve the lunch if we may borrow them again. We will need at least 20 baskets. Please bring them to our April meeting or I will be happy to pick them up.

We will also need 3 or 4 ladies to help at the Luncheon table to help set-up and distribute lunches. **Please contact me if you are able to help 310-379-8315.** Thank you!

**Gina Radocchio**  
**Luncheon Liaison**

## Parking

We are in need of 7 parking attendants for the Spring Event

Time: 9am to 4pm When: April 21, 2022 Where: Catalina View Gardens

Attendants will be aiding /directing parking cars at Catalina View Gardens Abalone Cove and along the road up to the Gardens

**Danielle Weinstock and Karyn Farris**  
**Parking Co-Chairs**

## Vendors

*SPRING IS HERE* AND IF YOU ARE LIKE MOST OF US YOU ARE “SPRUCING UP” EVERYTHING! Whether it’s your home, wardrobe, home office, or handbag MAKE SURE TO STOP BY OUR AMAZING VENDORS on April 21<sup>st</sup>! While spots are still being filled you will be so excited to see by ANDIB, the SHEETS GUY, LEA THE CLASSY BAG LADY, and ROCK GODDESS JEWELRY to name a few! For your sweet tooth we will have our favorite BAR AU CHOCOLAT and newcomer MRS. HOVIE’S TOFFEE! Let’s support these amazing local artists!



## BYANDIB



## ROCK GODDESS JEWELRY

Susan Yamate – Vendor Coordinator

We have partnered with some of your favorite vendors at our Fall Fundraiser. A percent of each purchase will be donated to Las Candelistas Charities when you type LC2020 in the promo code box!

*Classy* Bag Lady 

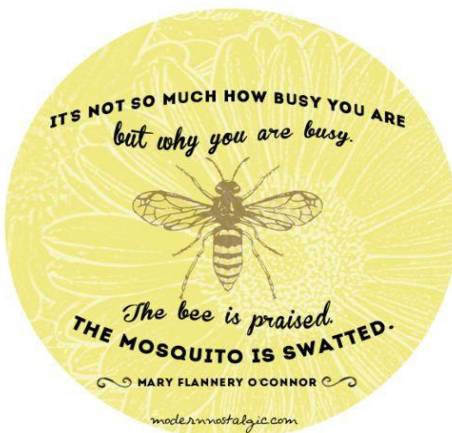
Every single bag we offer is meticulously selected, based on trends in the industry backed by over 30 years of experience in the accessory space. Every single piece we have to offer is special. We take pride in personally selecting an amazing piece for you. With a range of high-quality leather, vegan leather, colorful, modern, or vintage styles from independent to high end designer brand labels. We have a bag for every occasion!



SHOP THE CLASSY BAG LADY at  
[www.classybaglady.com](http://www.classybaglady.com)

You **MUST** enter LC2020 in the coupon/promo box  
Visit our fundraiser at [www.lascandelistas.org/events/ggg](http://www.lascandelistas.org/events/ggg)

## Silent Auction



Ladies, we are less than 7 weeks away from the event date and need auction prizes! We need you to be busy worker bees, and get shopping, networking, creating, and pairing up with other worker Bees!

- Pair up with a friend and go shopping, share the cost, and have a fun morning shopping! Most of our guests are ladies of a similar demographic and age, so they will be looking for fun items and experiences for themselves, husband, children and/or grandchildren. Consider things you would bid on yourself. Chances are you have similar tastes to a lot of our guests. Consider things such as: electrical gadgets, garden items, shows, concerts.
- Are you creative? How about personalizing a handmade creation?
- Put together a fun package of a show, dinner, and an overnight stay with a few friends to help share the cost.
- Buzz around the hive and ask your friends to help get gift cards for your favorite restaurant/hotel/ or store. We can partner them with other cards.
- Do you know someone who: works somewhere interesting that could offer a behind the scenes tour, has a garden that could host a dinner, has a boat that could host a picnic, have an unusual hobby that they could offer up as an experience?
- Network, ask People that you normally do business with, shops/restaurants, wine clubs “It is always worth asking!” People can either say ‘yes’ or ‘no’.
- It is time to spring-clean, have you got holiday or birthday gift cards that you haven’t used? We would love to have them.
- Remember every auction prize will help in our aim of ensuring that no child in the South Bay should go hungry, no South Bay family should be in fear for their life and every child in the South Bay should be able to visit and learn about the ocean and our environment.

We look forward to hearing from you! **All auction prizes are due by April 9<sup>th</sup>.** Start BUZZING...we only have 7 more weeks!!! Attached to the newsletter are various documents that will help you seek items.

Many Thanks!!!

**Kathy Black and Debbie Sampson**  
**Silent Auction**

## SUNSHINE AND RAIN

Pat Hoffman is still recovering from her horrible infection. She is missing her friends. We know Pat would appreciate calls, cards, food, possibly visitors. Her recovery is long, and she will need another knee replacement in near future. We love her and know that she is so appreciative of having you as her friends.  
109 Via Sevilla, Redondo Beach 90277 (310) 308-2329

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Ann Goodhart had an accident at the storage unit when a heavy metal pole fell on her hitting her in the arm and ending up on her ankle. Due to the bruising, swelling and pain she felt it could be a broken and went to urgent care. An X-ray determined it was not broken. After a trip the next day to an Orthopedic they determined it is either a bruised bone or hairline fracture. Ann has been instructed to keep her feet up for a number of days to keep the swelling down and has to use crutches. It is too painful to put weight on it.

Ann's husband Jim is being a fabulous nurse and she told me she didn't need anything, but a little sunshine in the way of cards or messages would be appreciated. No calls or visits at this time please. Let's help lift her spirits while she waits for this to heal. 2709 Via La Selva, PVE 90274

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Janis Davis-McGarry and Jim welcomed another grandson to their family. This is their 8<sup>th</sup> grandchild!!!

Laura Henson-Broussard and Greg welcomed their 2<sup>nd</sup> grandchild, another girl, to their family. They have a way to go to catch up with Janis and Jim!

**Susan Udewitz and Gina Radocchio**  
**Sunshine and Rain**

## MEMBERSHIP



Janet Warner 3/4  
Hollidae Brown 3/16  
Ahna Small 3/19  
Lawrie Margrave 3/22

Marlyn Franklin 3/7  
Selina Hamilton 3/18  
Liz Swanson 3/19  
Nanci Browning 3/31

Lynda Black 3/7  
Freddie Benson 3/19  
Jennifer Sittel 3/21



It's that time of year where we ask you if you can please think about anyone who may want to be a future member. Our organization is dependent on new blood. If you know of anyone you think may be interested, please let us know and we will meet up with them. With several bake days coming up, it's a great opportunity to invite potential members so they can see firsthand what fun we have!

Speaking of bake days, please check out the Bakeshop's article in this Newsletter as one of the requirements of Provisionals, Actives and Associates, is to attend all bake days.

Thank you so much for your support!

**Lorri Mino & Lisa Nesicolaci**  
**Membership Chairs**

## **PHILANTHROPY**



It's hard to believe that it's already the beginning of March. We are all working tirelessly to plan for our exciting Spring Event with high hopes of raising lots of money to support as many of our charities' programs as we can this year.

Philanthropy has some fun updates from three of our charities this month, but first we want to extend a huge thank you for all the toys that have been contributed for the South Bay Children's Health Center Dental Clinic's toy chest. We still have some donations coming in and will be delivering them very soon.

*Please enjoy these exciting updates:*



***Dr. Erin O'Mahoney from Manes for Movement writes:***

Over the last year, Manes for Movement has continued to grow tremendously by increasing the number of programs offered, and the number of client service hours provided. In addition to our Physical Therapy with Hippotherapy program, and our Adaptive Riding Program (sometimes referred to as therapeutic riding), we were able to expand to hire an Occupational Therapist who now provides Occupational Therapy with Hippotherapy, as well as Feeding Therapy services at Manes. This allows us to expand our services to help even more children with occupational therapy specific needs, such as sensory processing challenges, food sensitivities and feeding disorders, and fine motor needs in our holistic outdoor therapy environment. Last year we were able to provide over 1200 direct client service hours to our clients and their families, and we are on track to provide over 1600 direct service hours in 2022!

Additionally, in 2021 our Adaptive Riding program expanded to form the very first Manes for Movement Horse Show Team. Our show team worked with the local Peninsula Equestrian Circuit horse show series at Ernie Howlett Park to offer an inclusive horse show class so that riders of all abilities could compete together in these wonderful community-based horse shows. Our Adaptive Riding Students competed alongside the rest of the show competitors, showing off their hard-earned skills they have been working on with their therapy horse partners under the skilled direction of our Program Director Niki MacLeod. The inclusive horse show class was so successful, that even other therapeutic riding programs in the southern California area brought some of their riders to participate as well.

***Please check out these links for a list of requested in-kind donations and a video highlighting some of their incredible clients and programs. (Click on the links below to open, click on the back arrow to return to the newsletter).***

In-kind donations wish list. They have some very specific requests.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1MNO44NF11PWH/ref=hz\\_ls\\_biz\\_ex](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1MNO44NF11PWH/ref=hz_ls_biz_ex)

***\*\*Please bring items to our General Meeting on March 9<sup>th</sup>***

Video <https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/656639838>



***Ann Lynch for South Bay Wildlife Rehab shares:***

We have 9 non-releasable birds of prey that we use to educate (pre-pandemic) over 30,000 people, young and old, per year. These birds also help us raise the \$60,000 to \$70,000 needed to feed and care for the almost 1000 critters we treat annually. These are sick, injured or orphaned. The bats go to our highly trained Bat Team led by Amy and Chumi. The hummingbirds and sometimes other birds go to our hummingbird specialist, Dr Teresa Micco DVM. The rest, primarily

raptors, go to me or our Assistant Director, Christina Jones. These birds ultimately go to very large flights to condition for release. We have some other veterinary assistance from Dr Liz Wood, DVM, who performs surgeries when needed.

Right now, we are releasing a number of previous patients, including a Burrowing Owl that Christina drove down to Salton Sea, where they have a very large population. On the way she took a Great Horned Owl that had to be relocated away from the airport. However, most of our patients are returned to their original locations, where parents or partners may still be there to greet them.

We do have some presentations coming up, pandemic allowing.

Junior Scientists April 6, 2022 Madrona Marsh Torrance 9:00 - 10:00  
Whale of a Day April 9, 2022 Pt Vicente Interpretive Center, RPV 10:00 – 4:00  
**\*Las Candelistas Spring Event April 21, 2022 Catalina View Gardens 10:00 – 2:00\***  
Migration Celebration May 21, 2022 11310 Bluff Creek, Playa del Rey Time TBA



***Caroline Brady from Friends of Cabrillo Aquarium relays:***

The joyous noise of excited children is once again filling the air at Cabrillo Marine Aquarium now that COVID

restrictions are beginning to loosen. Spring Outdoor Program starts soon, and we expect to welcome 400 children a day every day for nine weeks. (Normally, the number is closer to 1,000 children a day, but we're limiting class sizes to be on the safe side. The good news is that many of our schools continue to sign on to our virtual programming, which helped to provide online marine science enrichments to more than 50,000 students during 2021. On April 2, we hope to welcome a bus from each of the 15 council districts in Los Angeles for a Family Night at the Aquarium. It will be a major blowout--literally--as we debut four new life-sized inflatable whales that will give the public a unique perspective on these huge creatures. We'll also hatch grunion eggs and go down to the beach to witness these silvery fish perform their strange mating ritual on the sand.

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## ***Wyland Mobile Learning Lab Visits Arnold Elementary***

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! Accolades to Las Candalistas for funding the Wyland Foundation Science Lab on Wheels for Arnold Elementary School!

We had approximately 200 students (four first grade, three second grade, and one special day class), visit the science lab. Tony Larkin, from the Wyland Foundation, was the consummate host. He arrived the day prior, set the lab up, taught the docents the day of, and managed the experience for all eight classes. I was so impressed with the Wyland Foundation and their commitment to our environment, as well as educating students about the watershed and the impact that pollution has on it. Not only did our local Torrance City News come out to interview us, but we were on KCAL channel 9 news as well. Torrance Unified will be spotlighting the visit and mentioning that the funding was provided by Las Candalistas.

Once again, our students, parents, and staff cannot thank you enough!

*Watch the KCAL interview of our own Kathy Black!*

<https://youtu.be/ONmneBMOQFo>



**Kathy Black and Cathy Howard  
First Vice Presidents, Philanthropy**

## **THRIFT**

We have checked with the charities, and many are still not accepting donations, due to COVID. There will be no collection at our March meeting. We will keep checking.

In the meantime, if you are still purging closets, items can be donated to:

- PV Resale, 2321 PCH Lomita, 310-534-1722 – they donate funds to many of the same charities.
- Beacon House, 812 S. Pacific Ave, San Pedro, 310-514-4940, check for days and hours they are open.
- Salvation Army – collection at Salvation Army Crestmont College, 30840 Hawthorne Blvd, RPV or Salvation Army Thrift Store, 4310 PCH, Torrance.

If anyone is travelling and collecting the hotel size shampoo, etc. we will collect those for our holiday toiletry kits.

**Donna Ciminera and Jan Raymond  
Thrift**

## AMAZON SMILE AND RALPH'S COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Thanks to all of the members who are signed up for the Ralph's and Amazon Smile programs. We so appreciate that you have taken the effort to join. It is so easy to do, and the benefit grows with every new signed up member.

Please make sure to bookmark the Amazon Smile program into your computer so each and every purchase on Amazon contributes to Las Candalistas.

If you have not yet signed up, here are the instructions:

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

**RALPHS Shoppers:** call 1-800-443-4438 to register, or to check on whether you are registered with the Community Contribution Program. Give the Ralphs representative your phone number and designate **Las Candalistas NPO # SH584** to receive your contributions.

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

**Cheryl Deppe**

**Community Contribution Program Coordinator**

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## WEBSITE

### **Website:**

Just a reminder for you to register for the Members Only section of our [www.lascandalistas.org](http://www.lascandalistas.org) website. On the Members Only section you will find a calendar of LC meetings and events, necessary documents, and other useful information. If you haven't registered yet, please email me at [lauhen6491@gmail.com](mailto:lauhen6491@gmail.com) and I'll set you up. Please register!

Thank you!

**Laura Henson-Broussard and Janis Davis-McGarry**  
**Webmistresses**

# MARCH 2022

## March Birthdays

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	02	03	04	05
			Officer's Meeting		Janet Warner	
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
	Marlyn Franklin Lynda Black		General Meeting In-Person!			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
			Hollidae Brown		Selina Hamilton	Freddie Benson Ahna Small Liz Swanson
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	Jennifer Sittel	Bake and Workshop Day Lawrie Margrave				
27	28	29	30	31		
				Nanci Browning		