

September 1, 2022

LAS CANDALISTAS SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

From the President's Desk:

Ladies, we are honored and excited to be your 2022/2023 Co-Presidents. We have already been busy working on a number of exciting things for the year ahead. We said at the June meeting that our goals for the year were going to be:

- Rebuilding our relationships with each other. Covid has been hard on all of us, and we want to use this year to get reacquainted. So please attend the meetings and join in the fun.
- Our focus is, of course, fundraising, but we would like to develop a more social atmosphere among members, so we have introduced a few social groups, Bunco, Book Club, and a Dinner Club. Information has been sent out, and members have signed up. More information further in the newsletter, you need to sign up by the deadlines stated to be included.
- We are inviting our philanthropies to our meetings. We usually only get to meet 6 at our October meeting, but there are a number that we never meet. So, starting in November you will each month get to meet some of the other philanthropies.
- We said that we wanted to reward some of our amazing members who we feel go above and beyond, with a series of monthly awards. We started the ball rolling at the June lunch. Our first recipients were Polly Goodman, Donna Ciminera, Marge Rankin, Jan Raymond and Karen Stockbridge for their diligence with coordinating, cleaning out Ladera Linda and moving us to the new storage facility. It was no mean feat! Thank you again ladies! We will be rewarding some more members at the September meeting.
- We want to expand our membership by working out how to include more working women (and women in caregiving roles) and perhaps create a new member status for those who would like to be involved but cannot fulfill the requirements of an Active.
- Finally, but most importantly our mission is making this a year of fundraising, friendship, and fun! Are you ready to join us?

The summer has been busy, and the leadership team has already met to set and approve the new budgets, the accounts have been audited, we have met and chosen the top 6 charities which will be presented and voted on at the October General meeting. Plus, we had a very fun joint team building afternoon with both the Officers and Board of Directors.

Our rosters have been printed and will be at the September meeting for you all.

Thank you Officers and Board members for everything you have achieved so far.

- Our Fall Fundraising team – Lorri Mino and Janie Woodburn have been busy putting together a fabulous event, please read their article and see how you can contribute.
- We are also getting in shape for our holiday boutique with Lisa Nesicolaci and Susan Yamate at the helm read their article too.
- We are very excited to welcome 6 new Provisionals, we look forward to getting to know you all and were excited to read the details of the Fall social, we love the theme!
- Our September meeting is going to be at St Peters Church, but we will still have our traditional September potluck lunch. We look forward to seeing you there. This is going to be a busy but fun year ahead. Are you ready?

Best wishes-

Laura Henson Broussard and Debbie Sampson

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is my pleasure to welcome back all Las Candalistas members to the beginning of our 2022-23 Fundraising year. I am honored to once again serve as Chair for the coming year and am pleased to be working with a very strong and caring Board. The two members beginning their second and final Board year are Janie Hasselman and myself. Janie Woodburn, Gina Radocchio, and Sharon Logan who will be serving as Board Secretary, are beginning their two-year term. The five of us look forward to working closely with the LC Co-Presidents and Officers to support our philanthropies and make the coming year a great success!!

We thank all of you who attended the recent Philanthropy Selection Zoom meeting to become acquainted with the 14 charities that have applied for funding. We especially appreciate your input related to your knowledge and personal experience with the various organizations.

If you have ideas or suggestions you'd like to share, or questions we can answer, please don't hesitate to contact me or any of the Board members. See you in a couple weeks. Enjoy the Labor Day Weekend!!

Laura Webb, Chair

Janie Hasselman, Sharon Logan, Gina Radocchio, and Janie Woodburn

Parliamentarian- Lisa Nesicolaci

We are looking forward to seeing all our Las Candalistas members at our first General Meeting of the new year!

Date: **September 14.** Place: **St Peter's by the Sea. 6410 Palos Verdes Dr. South, RPV.** Park behind the church and make your way up the stairs or ramp, and follow the path towards the right.

Social: 9:00 am – **Pastries will be provided, please bring your own coffee or tea!**

General Meeting: 9:30 am

Luncheon: Immediately following the meeting.

Please bring a dish to share (6-8 people) according to the **FIRST LETTER** of your **last** name:

A-H: Small bites or sandwiches

I-R: Salad or fruit (with serving utensils)

S-Z: Soft drinks or water bottles (6 pack)



PHILANTHROPY Congratulations!!!! WOW!!!! What an amazing, record setting, fundraising year we had in 2021-2022. Our stellar efforts resulted in our distributing a whopping \$129,500.00 spread over our well deserving 17 charities. The recipients were *1736 Family Crisis Center, Angel Gowns, Boys & Girls Club of LA Harbor, Cancer Support Community South Bay, Community's Child, Family Promise, Friends of Cabrillo Aquarium, Harbor Interfaith Shelter, Los Serenos de Point Vicente, Manes for Movement, Marine Mammal Care Center, Providence TrinityKids Care, South Bay Children's Health Center, South Bay Wildlife Rehab, Toberman Neighborhood Center, and the Wyland Foundation.* We are so very proud of the impact that our hard work has on improving the lives of the children and families that we support and in protecting our environment.

This year we had 14 charities eligible for consideration. They were *1736 Family Crisis Center, Cancer Support Community South Bay, Community's Child, Family Promise, Friends of Cabrillo Aquarium, Los Serenos de Point Vicente, Manes for Movement, Marine Mammal Care Center, Momentum Pediatric Therapy Network, Providence TrinityKids Care, South Bay Children's Health Center, South Bay Wildlife Rehab, Toberman Neighborhood Center, and the Wyland Foundation.* Our annual Philanthropy Selection Meeting was held on Monday, August 22 via Zoom. Thank you to all who attended, and to those who contributed to the discussion through sharing their insights and/or experiences with these organizations. The Philanthropy committee then met in person, considered everyone's input, and voted for our Top 6 charities for 2022-2023. They are:

1736 Family Crisis Center

Community's Child

Friends of Cabrillo Aquarium

Manes for Movement

South Bay Children's Health Center

Wyland Foundation

The Top 6 will be invited to present their programs at our General Meeting on Wednesday, October 12th. After their presentations, our voting members will vote for our Top 3. We are thrilled to add a new opportunity this year to hear from our remaining 8 charities. During our General Meetings in November, January, February, March, and April, 1-2 of these 8 will be invited each month to attend and share about their programs. We think this will be a great way for us to really get to know **all** our 2022-2023 nominated charities.

Thank you so much. It's going to be a sensational year of raising funds for our well deserving charities.

Kathy Black and Cathy Howard, 1st Vice Presidents Philanthropy

MEMBERSHIP

We are delighted to report that all dues have been paid!!

Members: We are starting off the 2022-2023 year with 33 Actives, 29 Associates and 73 Sustainers for a total of 135 Las Candalistas members.

Nametags: Don't forget to wear your Las Candalistas lanyard and nametag to all Las Candalistas events! Keeping these in your car makes it easy to remember. They are especially helpful for new members to get to know us!

Attendance: Just a reminder to all Actives, you are expected to attend the scheduled monthly meetings. You are allowed to miss 3 out of the 9 meetings. If you are unable to attend, please notify Susan Yamate

(wrapwithme@gmail.com) or Randi Young (theyoungshome@earthlink.net)

New members: We are so happy to present our **SIX** new members: RENA EISENSTEIN, BRENDA HOLCOMB, JANICE PETROSINO, ANNA PINTO, TRISH WINCHESTER, MICHELLE YOUNG! Please take time to say hello at our next meeting!

Fall Social: Our 2022-23 Provisionals have been busy planning the Fall Social. An Evite was sent out in August with all the details! Meet the amazing new Provisionals and greet old friends after a summer off! Feel free to bring a bottle of your favorite wine to share.

Potluck. If your last name starts with A-M Bring a Main Dish or Salad to serve 8-10, N-Z Dessert for 8-10

THE CIMINERA'S LIVE IN A GATED COMMUNITY SO PLEASE REMEMBER TO RSVP WITH YOUR NAME AND YOUR GUEST'S NAME SO WE CAN LEAVE THEM AT THE GATE!

To Our September Birthday Gals!

Kathy Black 9/2 Karen Tucker 9/3 Beth King 9/4 Elaine Trutanich 9/4

Shirley Nagelhout 9/7 Brigitte Haber 9/11. Mary Ross 9/11

Dita Lantz 9/19 Judy Armstrong 9/26

Cheers! Randi :& Susan



ROSTERS

Our shiny new beautiful blue 2022-2023 Las Candalistas Rosters are ready! Please pick up your roster at the September General meeting. If you would like an additional roster...for the car, the office, etc...you may purchase one for \$5.

Please feel free to pick up rosters for other members who are not available to attend the meeting as well as members who live near you. Any rosters not picked up by the October meeting will need to be mailed.

I will send instructions out on how to download the membership portion of the roster to your smart phone or computer soon.

Thank you-
Karen Stockbridge, Corresponding Secretary

FALL FUNDRAISER 2022



MARK YOUR CALENDARS, TELL YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS, LAS CANDALISTAS IS BACK AT THE EMPTY SADDLE CLUB AGAIN!

- When: Friday, October 21, 2022
- Time: 5:00-9:30
- Price: \$100 Early Bird; \$125 Regular Price after October 10th

WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- Live Band! South Bay favorites, Andy and Renee and Hard Rain!
- Wine Pull
- Live and Silent Auction
- Welcome champagne and keepsake glass
- Appetizers and buffet dinner by Jean Cordero, our favorite caterer
- Full Cash Bar
- New this year... We are please to announce the addition of a custom-tailored interactive photo booth experience brought to you by FOTO MIRROR. They will provide you with a brilliant 4x6 glossy photo while you wait, providing you with a fabulous keepsake of your evening with us!
- This will be a fun evening for couples, girlfriends' night out, celebrations of whatever. A GREAT excuse to get out, have some fun and help support our philanthropies!

What can you, as a LC member, do to help?

We need you to do all of these:

1. Buy tickets for you and your significant other! Bring your friends!
2. Spread the word! Please advertise this event on any other groups you are involved with and like and share our posts on Facebook and Instagram.
3. Donate wine for the wine pull (see article in Newsletter for more information)
4. Donate items for our Silent/Live Auction (see article in Newsletter for more information)
5. Be part of the crew! We will need help the day of the event and during the event with:
6. Set up and clean up
7. Silent Auction – We need help with collecting bid sheets when silent auction closes

*All members attending must purchase a ticket for the event, even if you help at it, as we are very limited on space.

Don't worry, you'll have time for fun! If you would like to underwrite one of our event activities, we would be excited to hear from you! To sign up to help, please contact Lorri Mino and let her know what you're interested in:

lorrimino@gmail.com or (310) 749-5997 (text is ok).

*If you are unable to attend this event, please consider a donation in lieu of purchasing a ticket. Tickets will be on sale soon! Keep a look out for an eblast on everything you need to know!

As always, thank you for your support. We couldn't have a successful event without you.

Your Shining Stars,

Lorri Mino and Janie Woodburn

WINE PULL

Starry Starry Night
Wet your palates
With reds or whites

Choose your bottles
With delight
At our Starry Starry
Wine Pull Night



Hello Members,

Just a reminder that we are in need of bottles of wine for our 2022 Starry Starry Night Wine Pull. We are accepting quality bottles of both reds and whites. The minimum cost per bottle should be NO LESS than \$25.00.

Bottles can be picked up by Hollidae Brown or Kathy Black. They can be dropped off at the addresses listed below. They can also be brought to our monthly meetings. If possible, please have a value included with your wine donation. Please DO NOT affix the price to the bottle itself.

Bottles are due by October 8th. Thanks so much in advance for making our Starry Starry Night Wine Pull such a success!!!

Hollidae Brown.	Kathy Black
28315 Meadowmist Dr.	213 Via Alameda
RPV.	Redondo Beach
310-418-7854	310-721-0622

SILENT AUCTION

Ladies, we are less than 8 weeks away from our Fall Fundraiser, *Starry, Starry Night at the Ranch* to be held at the Empty Saddle Club on Friday, 10/21/2022 and we need your help! We need you to help us by going shopping, networking, creating, and pairing up with each other for fun shopping adventures for exciting silent auction items!

*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.

*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 get ready for the holidays! Have you got gift cards that you haven't used? We would love to have them.

If you would like to donate money and have us do the shopping, that would work too!

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 October 1st. Karyn Ferris has graciously offered her garage for storage of your donated items. Please contact me at spiritedbootsie@yahoo.com or call (310) 379-8315.

Attached to the eblast are various documents that will help you seek items.

Thank you,

Gina Radocchio

Silent Auction Chairman



Holiday Boutique

We are excited to announce that we will be having a Holiday Boutique again this year, November 19th. There will be a few changes to make it even bigger and better than last year. We will be holding it in the hall at St. Lawrence Martyr Church on Prospect in Redondo Beach.

We will also have more vendors and Chairs helping us with all aspects.

We are looking for handmade holiday items for LC Creations, baked goods for the Sweet Shoppe, donations for Found Treasures and Vendors. We will also need help on the day of the event with set-up, clean-up and at our booths. Please contact the correct Chair if you would like to help!

Lynda Black & Debbie Bramhall – LC Creations. Irene Almeida & Kathy Black – Sweet Shoppe
Judy Moorhead & Brigitte Haber – Found Treasures Susan Yamate – Vendors
Lisa Nesicolaci – Helper sign ups.

Lisa Nesicolaci & Susan Yamate, LC Holiday Boutique Co-Chairs

Friends and Family Sale



Friends and Family is a Las Candalistas tradition.

We are looking for a couple of people to lead this, it would be wonderful to have some members step up to chair this committee **who have not chaired it before**. But of course, we will welcome back any past chairs too! You will have a readymade team of helpers. Overview of the role:

- Overseeing the production of our gourmet items such as jams and jellies, possibly more. These items are produced in September/October and sold in November in time for the holidays. They have been limited to friends and families of members in the past, but we now also sell them at events.
- This chairmanship is open to all members, regardless of status.
- Chairing this committee will satisfy the requirement for chairing a committee at one of our events if you are Active.
- In the past, this committee has made several items. **However, this year we would be happy if we only made our best seller, the Cranberry Jalapeno Jelly. Typically, about 500-600 jars of this jelly are produced.**
- This sale typically produces a nice net income for us. We would like this to continue, our philanthropies need it!

Position description:

- 2 or more members to chair would be best
- Shop for ingredients, or arrange committee members to
- Arrange cook days, (for just the Cranberry Jalapeno Jelly, usually 2 days at the Riviera Methodist Church are necessary.) Coordinate the logistics of getting everything to the church. The whole membership helps at these cook days, it's fun!
- Coordinate the labeling and packaging of the items
- Keep track of orders and take payments
- Set up a day for pickup.

Note: Past committee chairs have offered to assist. You won't be left on your own to figure it all out, and there is a folder with the relevant information in it.

Interested in chairing this important committee? Contact one of the co-presidents:

Debbie debs744@hotmail.com or Laura HB lauen6491@gmail.com

BUNCO!

We are starting a Bunco group.
Several people have already expressed an interest in playing.



The game requires 12 players. We will play once a month so each of the members will be required to host Bunco one time each year.

If you would like more information, please email me (not a commitment to play). The first 12 to commit will be in.

Hollidae Brown

Hollidae12@gmail.com

Paula Redmond

Theredmonds7@gmail.com

BOOK CLUB!

Getting together to discuss a good book is fun...same book, different opinions. Some members have already indicated that they are interested. Are you?

Organizing the Book Club comes first. Where will it be held...at a home, a restaurant, the library? When...monthly? What day/time?



If you would like to meet to help set up the schedule, please call or message Marlyn Franklin. We can meet for lunch to organize this new group. More information will be available at our September meeting.
Happy reading!

Marlyn Franklin

marlyn.franklin@gmail.com

310-377-6825

JEWELRY MAKING

It's time to be creative! Let's get together to meet with old and new friends. I'll be hosting a series of jewelry-making days to create products for our upcoming events. We will be working with recycled jewelry from members, family, and friends. Please feel free to drop off any donation of jewelry that can be re-designed which includes broken or outdated pieces.

Members are welcome to pre-purchase creations at these workshops. The first workshop will be on *Sunday, September 25th, 11:30am-3:30pm!* Come and go as you wish. Please call or text for attendance.

Selina Hamilton (626)399-8887

SMALL SOCIAL FUNDRAISERS:

Care to host a small gathering or not-so-small gathering of fellow members with or without family and friends? Well, this is your opportunity! Open your home for a gathering to earn extra funds for our charities.

You'd play hostess and I'll help get the word out for you to our members by opening an Evite. It's easy. You can be creative or work with a representative from a company like Tupperware, Stella & Dot, Cabi, etc. I'm personally going to kick it off with a Pampered Chef event on *Sunday, September 18th, 2:00pm!* Be on the lookout for my Evite!

You'll get the hang of it. Give me a call or text because emails are not as immediate for me.

Selina Hamilton (626)399-8887

NEW –DINNER FOR 6 CLUB

Enjoy good food, the odd glass of wine and fun company? Would you like the opportunity to spend more time getting to know other members? The new dinner club might be the group for you.

The dinner for 6 is a series of three dinners scheduled at different times of the year. You will be paired with different people each time and rotate homes for each dinner.

Each couple (married, dating, or member friends) provides a different part of the meal for each dinner: one dinner you will be the host and provide the main dinner, another dinner you will bring an appetizer and the third dinner you will provide the dessert. Each couple brings a bottle of wine too.

It will be a great opportunity for you to get to know members and their spouses better in a smaller setting. Singles are welcome too. If you would like to sign up, please email me. Debs744@hotmail.com

I will bring a signup sheet to the September meeting too. The closing date will be Weds 14th September. I will then email everyone that has signed up. The first rotation will take place during Sept/ Oct/ Nov.

I belonged to one in a different group and both Nick and I really enjoyed all the evenings.

Debbie

TABLECLOTHS



Las Candalistas currently has almost 300 tablecloths in white, black, various shades of green, and a few miscellaneous colors. Most are round and rectangular in a variety of sizes. All are now permanently labeled and sorted into bins by color, shape, and size in our Rancho Container. A master list of what we have has also been created. If you need tablecloths for an event that you are chairing, ***PLEASE*** contact me and I will be more than happy to arrange to get them for you. Thank you so much in advance for following this procedure. It will be very helpful to our being able to keep track of what we have and to be sure that tablecloths are available to all who need them

Cathy Howard

dcamhoward@sbcglobal.net

(310) 365-6336

DONOR SNAP(*Donations, Data Base Management*)

For those of you who are new to Las Candalistas, DonorSnap is a donor management system we use that is our master database and the tool we use to track all donations, send thank you notes, and provide mailing labels for invitations, and more. In order for it to be an effective tool, it is important that it be kept up to date, and to accomplish that, we need your assistance.

If there is someone you think we should add to our database, or if you know of someone who has moved, or passed away, please let us know by contacting Polly Goodman or Laura Webb. For additions to the database, we would like to have the following: name, address, phone number(s), and email address.

Thanks for your help,

Laura & Polly



AMAZON SMILE AND RALPH'S COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTION PROGRAM

Thanks to all 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

cheryl.deppe122@gmail.com

949 205 9991

SUNSHINE & RAIN

Since our last Newsletter in June, these Sunshine and Rain announcements have been made.

We are sure that our member's support has been appreciated by all:

Doris Bigham is recovering from a broken arm due to Osteoporosis.

Janie Hasselman's husband Tim passed on July 16th. A service is planned for Saturday, September 10th at 11am. St. Peters by the Sea 6710 PV Dr. S Rancho Palos Verdes. A reception will follow.

Monika Bauer's young grandson, Wolfy was hospitalized for 3 weeks after having surgery for a brain tumor. He is home now recovering and progressing and gaining strength everyday. The doctors believe the tumor to be benign.

Pat Hoffman has been in the hospital for an infection due to her recent knee replacement. She developed kidney failure but is finally on the mend.

If you have good news or bad news that you would like to share to the members, please be sure to contact us!

Your 2022 Sunshine & Rain Committee-

Susan Udewitz
310-371-4382
udewitz@gmail.com

Carla Smith
310-541-9369
carla4health@gmail.com

THRIFT

We will be **NOT** be collecting Thrift at the September meeting. Only three of the charities we usually donate to are now accepting donations, so we have decided to do 3-4 collections this year. Items needed are clothing for Men, Women and Children and small household items. Please make sure all clothing is clean and in good condition and that all appliances are in working condition. They also need some hygiene products, for example: Tampons, Body Wash, Deodorant at women's shelters.

If anyone is travelling and collecting the hotel size shampoo, etc., we will collect those for our holiday toiletry kits at each meeting. They can also be brought to Jan's home, but call or email to make sure she is home.

Donna and Jan

WEBSITE

Just a reminder for you to register for the Members Only section of our 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 lauchen6491@gmail.com and I'll set you up. Please register!

Thank you!

Laura Henson-Broussard and Janis Davis-McGarry
Webmistresses



2022 SEPTEMBER						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4 Beth King Elaine Trutanich	5 Labor Day	6	7 Shirley Nagelhout	8	9	10 Fall Social
11 Brigitte Haber Mary Ross	12	13	14 General Meeting St. Peters	15	16	17
18 Jewelry Making	19 Dita Lanz	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Judy Armstrong	27	28	29	30	

Las Candalistas.

SEPTEMBER 2022 CALENDAR

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					Kathy Black	Karen Tucker
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Beth King Elaine Trutanich	LABOR DAY		Shirley Nagelhout			
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Brigitte Haber Mary Ross			GENERAL MEETING St. Peters			
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Pampered Chef	Dita Lanz					FALL SOCIAL
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Jewelry Making	Judy Armstrong					