

# WOMAN'S CLUB OF SEAL BEACH

Promoting the Educational and Civic Life of the Community Since 1923

January 2015

Volume 16 Issue 1

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Members,

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the December meeting.

Cathy Oliver and her group did a beautiful job decorating the tables! It was fun to see all the "goodies" our members had prepared for lunch. They looked so pretty laid out on the buffet tables.... and they tasted as good as they looked! Rain had been predicted that morning, but the sun was shining brightly when everyone arrived.

There are so many in our membership who contribute in so many ways.

Carla Watson put us all into the holiday spirit as she played Christmas favorites on the piano.

Karen Russell arranged for our delightful Christmas program with the singing group from Oak Middle School.

Marilyn Bittle provided an inspirational reading about one child's idea of the "Seven Wonders of the World", which put everything into the proper perspective during the busy holidays.

Becky Williams treated us all to adorable ball point pens with different sayings for the New Year.

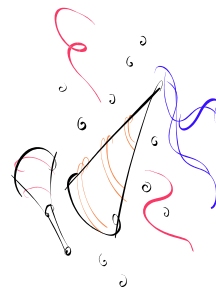
Becky has also arranged for an "Easy Peasy" at Veggie Grill in January.

The firemen from Seal Beach arrived right on time to pick up our toys for "Spark of Love".

Thanks to Sylvia Sellers for making those arrangements! We celebrated the December birthdays of 15 of our members. Amazing!

Happy New Year to All!

Margy



### Inside this issue:

BUNCO	2
GARDEN	2
EASY FUNDRAISER	2
PROGRAM	3
LUNCH PLUS	3
HISTORY	3
WE CARE - BIRTHDAYS - SUNSHINE & RAINDROPS	4

## JANUARY DATES AT A GLANCE

Board: 10 a.m. Wed. 7th

Bunco - 11:45 a.m.

Book - DARK

Garden - Wed. 14th 10:30 a.m.

Lunch Plus - Thurs. 29th

**General Meeting:** Wednesday 21st

10 a.m. - Coffee and Conversation

10:15 - Business Meeting

11:15 - Program

11:45 - Lunch

Chair: Sharon Westafer

# BUNCO SECTION

# BOOK SECTION

Please arrive at 11:45 a.m. on the first Wednesday. Library Senior Center.

Game starts promptly at 12:15 p.m.

Bring your lunch, if you wish and \$3 for Bunco.

Coffee, tea and a snack will be provided.

We are located at the Senior center, behind the library.

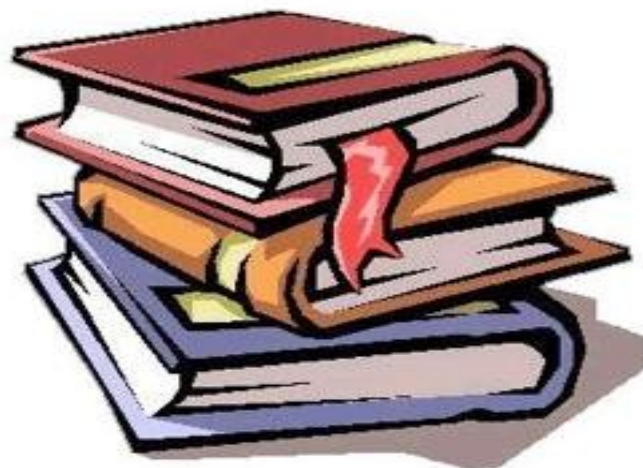
Regrets Only:

Rosario Mauritz 431-4437

Betty Brand 598-5028



The Book Section will be dark.



# GARDEN SECTION



Robin Theron sculpts with beeswax made by the bees!!

Robin Theron is an amazing bee keeper who can only be described as the bee whisperer.

The importance of bees cannot be understated. In the US alone, the Department of Agriculture estimated that bees pollinate about 80% of flowering crops, constituting about 1/3 of everything Americans eat.

Their ability to pollinate has a tremendous environmental and economic impact on the entire globe.

Mary Wilson Library Senior Center  
10:30 a.m.

All members are welcome.

Please contact :

Yvonne Whalley 498-6117

Rosario Mauritz 431-4437

Lunch at Malarkey's Grill

Marina Dr., Long Beach

# EASY PEASY AT THE VEGGIE GRILL

On Monday, January 26, another easy fundraiser will take place at the Veggie Grill from Noon - 4 p.m. Located in the Market Place shopping Center, next to Trader Joe's in Long Beach at 6451 PCH.

We should have at least 20 attend. Friends, neighbors or anyone who would like to try the grill. Just mention that you are here for the Woman's Club of Seal Beach, no fliers are required.

The Veggie Grill will give us 50% on any food or drinks if we spend at least \$200.

The food is delicious and you know anything you have will be healthy.



# PROGRAM

## *A Brief History of Seal Beach by Larry Strawther*

Larry Strawther has been writing professionally for over forty years for newspapers, movies and television. His television writing and producing credits include the television classics *Happy Days*, *Laverne and Shirley* and *Night Court*; the cult comedy hit, *MXC*; and even being the

head writer on *Jeopardy!* In recent years, he has indulged his lifelong interest in local history with a websites: [www.losalhistory.com](http://www.losalhistory.com) and [www.historysb.com](http://www.historysb.com).

He lives in Rossmoor with his wife, Nancy. They have three children: Megan, Michael and Mallory.

He will talk to us about the history of Seal Beach, his latest book, which has a complete index and dozens of notes on each chapter.

Our *Woman's Club of Seal Beach*, aka, *The Woman's Improvement Group* is a part of this history.



4th from the left is Florence Tyler, our president, 1944 - 1946. Wife of Hubert Tyler, Hellman Ranch manager.

# LUNCH PLUS

Thursday January 29, 2015

Visit: San Gabriel Mission  
428 S. Mission Dr. San Gabriel

Meet: Pavilion shopping center Seal Beach 9:30am

Depart: 9:45am

Guided Tour of mission grounds at 11am tour 1 1/2 hours, \$5 admission

Lunch: Approx 1:30

Travel back to El Torito Restaurant 11167 183<sup>rd</sup> St. Cerritos

(across from Cerritos shopping Center)

Contact:

Donna Dominguez

562-596-2363

Legend has it that the founding expedition was confronted by a large group of native Tongva peoples whose intention was to drive the strangers away. Come to find out what happened next!

# IN THE BEGINNING

## History of the Woman's Club of Seal Beach

Installment III -

No Sunday dancing in the Joy Zone was the first real big thing the Club undertook and on December 26, 1923 they were not real sure that this would actually be an accomplishment as

officials of the Bayside Land Co., such as, Isaac Lothian, P. A. Stanton and Jacob Transue felt that the City Trustees should not stop Sunday dancing in the Joy Zone. It was quoted as said, "they are going to fight us to a finish and if they

cannot run this town as it has been run for last 7 or 8 years, they will close it up tighter than an abandoned mining camp."

Pictured:

Philip A. Stanton

To be continued .....



## MEMBERSHIP

JUDY O'NEILL

sbch1@verizon.net

562 598-0718



## Welcome New Members!

Cynthia Eastman                      B-Day 1/22  
1860 St. John Rd. # 32F  
Seal Beach, CA 90740  
562 761-8673                      c.eastman@verizon.net

Robbie McClellan (Keith)        B-Day 12/1  
9134 Marina Pacifica Dr. N  
Long Beach, CA 90803  
949-885-6260                      01jeep@sbcglobal.net

Susan Ramage (Jon)                B-Day 9/16  
211 11th St. # 5  
Seal Beach, CA  
562-433-6506                      susanramage4@yahoo.com

## SOCIAL SERVICES

### WE CARE

The following is a letter from a client:

*I want you to know that I am still in that same apartment We Care helped me get into almost 41/2 years ago. I am surviving! It has not been easy, however I am very grateful for the assistance We Car gave me and for the genuine concern you personally have shown towards me. I know you have many cases and yet somehow you make each client feel that they are your only case. You have that way about you. so, I send out a big THANK YOU to you and We Care for never making me feel less of a person for needing help.*

Among the items the shelter needs are:

- Body wash      Laundry detergent (99 cent store)
- Deodorant

## BIRTHDAYS

Pat McNerney      January 9

**Yeah, another year!**

Mary Castagna      January 29



## SUNSHINE & RAINDROPS

Sharon Westafer

As we learned at the December meeting, **Jackie Hildebrant's** husband had surgery recently. A note was sent to her as well as to **Jean Betz**, who has been undergoing some rehabilitation.



Condolences were sent to **Barbara Ciaffardini** on the loss of her mother.

Best wishes to each of you for a Healthy, Happy New Year!

