

# Woman's Club of Seal Beach

Promoting the Educational and Civic Life of the Community Since 1923

## President's Message

Dear Members,

Thank you, Becky, for taking over for me at the March meeting. Several members have commented on the great job you did! What a good idea to have our members vote on future programs.

It sounded like the tables were very festive and Irish thanks to Elaine Layne and her committee.

Belated birthday congratulations to our March honorees. I understand that Virginia Haley announced that she is 97 years young! You set the bar high for all of us, Virginia!

Welcome to our newest member, Mary Parsell.

Thanks to Donna Dominguez for spearheading another painless fundraiser .... this time at the California Pizza Kitchen in Seal Beach. The food was very tasty!

From all reports, many people donated

items for the McAuliffe Jazz Band fundraiser. Thank you to everyone who supported this group. I'm so proud of our organization and all the help we give to our community.

It sounds like plans for the Laughlin trip and the Tea are progressing well. Be sure to contact Karen Russell if you have a donation for the Tea from one of our local merchants.

I was privileged to have had a "preview" showing of Libby Appelgate's talk and slideshow of her connection to Norman Rockwell. What an interesting experience!

Thank you, Libby, for such a fabulous and informative presentation!

Margy

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## April Dates at a Glance

Board Mtg. - Wed. 2nd 10 a.m.

Bunco - Wed. 2nd 11:45 a.m.

Book - Thurs. 3rd 2 p.m.

Garden - Wed. 16th 10:30 a.m.

Lunch Plus -Thurs. 24th 9:45 a.m.

**General Meeting:** Wednesday, April 16

10 a.m. - Coffee and Conversation

10:15 - Business Meeting

11:15 - Program: Tea Planning

11:45 - Lunch

Chair: Rosa Ana Schmidtke

## BUNCO SECTION

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

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  
or Betty Brand  
598-5028



## BOOK SECTION

Host: Dottie Palaski  
598-0040 2 p.m. 132 10th Street

*The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern

The circus arrives without warning. No announcements precede it. It is simply there, when yesterday it was not. Within the black-and-white striped canvas tents is an utterly unique experience full of breathtaking amazements. It is called Le Cirque des Rêves, and it is only open at night.

But behind the scenes, a fierce competition is underway: a duel between two young magicians, Celia and Marco, who have been trained since childhood expressly for this purpose by their mercurial instructors. Unbeknownst to them both, this is a game in which only one can be left standing.

## GARDEN SECTION

### Wednesday April 9

We will meet at Pavilions parking lot at 9:45 a.m. and carpool to the home of Denise Pulley in Huntington Beach. Following the tour, we will have lunch at nearby Buon Gusto, a wonderful little Italian restaurant on Warner Ave., near her home.

Denise is a garden designer and her very Patient Hole Digger (PHD) have lived here for the past six years.

Welcome to four separate areas all within a residential-sized "patch"; a low-maintenance drought tolerant curbside; a shady container courtyard; a secluded nook; and a meandering cottage garden

**Five generations of the California Western Bluebird are an extended family.**

heaping with bouquet color, bird and butterfly attractants and fruits & herbs. Here, five generations of the California Western Bluebird are their extended family. Wander through their garden path and enjoy a kaleidoscope of color and form. Experience the scent, and feel their fortune to be part of nature with an amazing sunset view.

Contact: Bev McNally 431-5308

## PROGRAM

### Tea & Fashion Show Planning



The Woman's Club Tea and Fashion Show needs all the members to help with this event. One of the largest fundraisers we have.

Please come with ideas and to sign up for your favorite task. We need models, food preparers, table hostesses and help with entrance decorations. Mark your calendars for Saturday, May 17th for the most fun for everyone.



## CASA ROMANTICA CULTURAL CENTER AND GARDENS

Sits on a bluff overlooking the Pacific Ocean in San Clemente. The beautiful Spanish Revival house, built in 1927, was once the summer home of Ole Hanson, the founder of San Clemente.

Many unique features are to be seen in the house: There is an outdoor family room called The Barbecue with an unusual "beehive" fireplace; an inner courtyard with encaustic tile flooring; the original keyhole shaped entry door; a teak screen carved in China; original and replaced decorative lighting; and a tile shower large enough for the Hanson children to take their pony

inside to give it a bath. Two murals painted by Norman Kennedy in 1928 in wall niches in the courtyard have been repaired and restored. The gardens contain many plants indigenous to coastal California.

Period photographs of southern California are on display as well as other exhibits in the galleries. We will have docent tours of the house and gardens.

There is a \$5.00 per person admission charge to be paid when we enter. The tour of the house will be approximately 45 minutes. After, there will be leisure time to spend in the gardens. There are some stairs with rails in the gardens.

The walking is easy but wear comfortable walking shoes.

Lunch will be at the **Fisherman** on the San Clemente Pier which is below the bluff.

Our tour of the house is scheduled for 11:00 a.m. which is when Casa Romantica opens. **PLEASE MEET BY 9:45 a.m.** at Pavilions parking lot off Bolsa Ave. We should leave there no later than 10:00 a.m.

RSVP to Dottie Palaski (598-0040) or Marjorie TeWinkle (598-3633) by April 21. We need to notify Casa Romantica as to the number coming for the tour.

## MYSTERY MEMBER

Who among us taught elementary school in Downey and retired as principal at the same school she started teaching 39 years earlier?

Plays in two hand bell groups at her church?

Although traveled all 50 states, Yosemite is her favorite national park. She and her husband visited each spring and fall and has kept up the tradition since he passed away.

Has ancestors from Norway and has traveled there several times, including a two week stay with family last fall.



## SOCIAL SERVICES

## WE CARE

RUTH WHALLON

The main fund raising event for We Care will be April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6 PM. Patrons will enjoy an evening of food, music, and an auction. Tickets are \$70 per person (tax deductible) and the event will be held on the grounds of We

Care offices. We wish them success on this important fund raising effort.

Through our donations, and those of many other organizations, We Care is able

to support the needs of their clients.



## MEMBERSHIP

JUDY O'NEILL - CHAIRMAN  
562 597-0718



## WELCOME!

**Mary Parsell** B-Day 7/28  
1827 Petaluma Ave.  
Long Beach, CA  
562 252-5825



We are on the Web!

[womansclubofsealbeach.org](http://womansclubofsealbeach.org)

*PLEASE GET YOUR TEA TICKETS  
FROM JUDY O'NEILL. IF YOU ARE  
NOT BUYING FROM A FRIEND  
WHO HAS A TABLE, GIVE HER A  
CALL.*



## BIRTHDAYS

Arlette Reed	4
Maria Buhbe	8
Dottie Palaski	14
Becky Williams	19
Carol McNallen	23
Lara Edwards	24
Gail Ayers	29



Best wishes have been sent on behalf of the Club to Betty Brand who fell and broke her hip.

Welcome home Ken Appelgate after six weeks in rehab for his broken leg.

## SUNSHINE & RAINDROPS

Best wishes were sent to Gloria Luna, whose daughter suffered a set back, and to Ruth Whallon, whose husband Curt was recently hospitalized.

We're sending positive thoughts their way.