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APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Lin Baesler	4/04
Pamela Horn	4/04
Norma Holland	4/07
Joann Driggers	4/09
Deborah Quigley	4/10
Patsy Coffman	4/11
Stephanie Leon	4/19
Sheree Santos	4/20
Jackie DuMontier	4/26
Suzanne Lovering	4/26
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PRESIDENT *Kathryn Baldwin*

On Thursday, March 20, the jump into Spring, also known as the vernal equinox, has come with celebrations and traditions of rebirth around the world for centuries. Eid al-Fitr begins on Saturday, March 29; Passover begins at sundown on Saturday, April 12; Good Friday, is April 18; Easter is April 20; Earth Day is Tuesday, April 22, and many more special days follow. Personally, I look forward to this time of year!

The Orange District Convention is on Friday, April 11 at the Elks Lodge in Santa Ana. The Theme is "Diamonds, Tiaras and Pearls!" I will definitely be proud to wear some jewels and a tiara and represent the Round Table at this annual event. I'm hoping Club members will be joining me in attending the annual convention.

As the Leadership Chairman for the District, I will be proudly honoring the outstanding reports by clubs in the district as they have shared their various successes.

The leader I want to highlight is **MAUD YOUNGER**; Suffragist, Feminist and Labor Activist (1870-1936). Maud Younger was born in San Francisco, California, the daughter of a Scottish immigrant, dentist William John Younger. Her mother Anna Maria Lane, an heiress, died when Maud was twelve years old. It was a prosperous, well-connected family; two of her sisters married Austrian barons, and her father moved to Paris in 1900. Maud Younger was educated in San Francisco and New York. At 31, she visited the New York College Settlement House, and began her work in activism. "I went to see it, stopped for a week, and stayed five years," she recalled.

Younger took up the cause of working women, she took several waitressing jobs to investigate working conditions in restaurants and joined the New York Waitresses' Union. She was referred to as "the millionaire waitress."

After the 1906 San Francisco earthquake, Younger went back to her hometown to pursue further work in labor organizing. She worked as a waitress to qualify for union membership, then organized the city's first Waitresses' Union.

After California women won suffrage in 1911, Younger worked for the eight-hour workday for women. Younger funded many of the legal aspects of this work, and was an impressive public face of the movement as well. At the 1911 Labor Day parade in San Francisco, she drove a float, a wagon pulled by six white horses.

In late 1920, Maud Younger drove across the country alone, with a dog named Sandy; this trip made her one of the first women to do a solo coast-to-coast drive across America, the trip from San Francisco to Washington DC took 38 days. Younger died in 1936 from cancer in Los Gatos, California, at age 66.

Fiesta Friday, May 16, is being planned by 2nd VPs, Karen Mangold and Susan Hirzel. We are in for a fun evening! Hope all of you planning to attend.

WAYS & MEANS

Karen Mangold, Susan Hirzel, Co-Chairs

FIESTA FRIDAY

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, May 16, 2025 at the Clubhouse beginning at 4 p.m. Join us for good food, lively conversations and a favorite game we played last year. It is a no-brainer, RIGHT, LEFT and CENTER.

The cost is \$25 per person and BYOB. There will be a sign-up sheet at the April 2 general meeting to help plan this **FUN** event.



DEAN *Cindy Lucido*

The Coin March recipient for April will be **Grandma's House of Hope in Anaheim**. Since 2007, Grandma's House of Hope has been providing housing and wrap-around services to single adult men and women with trauma who historically have fallen through the cracks. Our mission of empowering the invisible populations of Orange County is about reaching those who have been cast aside and moved into the shadows of our society due to their disabilities, illnesses, addictions, incarceration, and trauma histories. In order to effectively reach these individuals, we remove barriers to housing and services. Grandma's House of Hope provides Housing, Wrap-Around Services, Housing Navigation, and After-Care Services to our Orange County's chronically homeless adult men and women who may be experiencing domestic violence, human trafficking, victimhood of crime, severe trauma, substance use disorder (SUD), re-entry into the community after serving time in custody, serious and persistent mental illness, persistent disabilities, life threatening illness.



SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2025

RECORDING SECRETARY

Anne Guse

THE FOLLOWING MOTIONS WERE APPROVED AT THE MARCH 19 PRT BOARD MEETING:

- That the funds from the April Coin March go to Grandma's House of Hope in Anaheim.
- That the Board recommends to the general membership the purchase of two stainless steel tables for the kitchen at a cost of between \$1,000 to \$1,400.
- That we welcome Tessahanna Berry and Barbara Lindblom as new members.
- That we accept with regret the resignation of Jill Botha.
- That we recommend to the general membership to replace the lights in the parking lot and rent a truck with a boom to install them at a cost of \$2,800.
- That we make an in-kind donation to the Miss Placentia Yorba Linda Organization for use of the Clubhouse for a Bon Voyage party.
- That the proceeds from the Mah Jongg party be donated to Casa Teresa.
- That we give \$1,000 to Julianne Rocke to compete in the Miss California Teen Competition.
- That the nominations presented by the Nominating Committee be accepted.

MEMBERSHIP V.P.

Diane Provenzano

Welcome to our new members:

TESSHANNA BERRY

BARBARA LINDBLOM

Say hello and introduce yourselves to Tesshanna and Barbara! And watch for the Blast with their contact information.

Welcome



Great News!! Our new Club website is up and running. Check out all the new features. It's a site we can be proud of!

Thank you to Lynne Buzdar for all her time and hard work!

<https://placentiawomensclub.org/>



NOMINATION COMMITTEE

Heather Barth, Chair

2025-2026 PRT Officers

Your Nominating Committee met and made every effort to fill the slate of Officers for the next Club year. Our recommendations were presented to the Board for approval on March 19 and all candidates were approved. As the time of this writing, one position is still to be determined.

Your 2025-2026 Executive Board Officers are:

PresidentJoAnn Sowards
1st VP/DeanTBD
2nd VP/Ways & MeansSusan Hirzel
3rd VP/ProgramsLin Baesler
4th VP/MembershipHeather Barth
5th VP/SectionsDeb Whiteford
Recording SecretaryAnnie Smith
CorrespondenceKim Deweese
Financial Secretary ...MaryKay McMahon
TreasurerLoree MacMurtrie
Director of Finance ...Piterack Accounting
Parliamentarian TBA (appointed by Pres.)
Public/Community Liaison ..Laurie Arroyo
AmenitiesWendy Queyrel
and Rachel Drayer

Your 2025-2026 Board of Directors are:

JoAnn Sowards2 year term
Anne Guse2 year term
Kathy Baldwin1 year term
Gerry Carnevali1 year term
Loree MacMurtrie1 year term

NOTE: There are other positions on the Executive Committee and Community Service Chairmen, so check out those in the front of the yearbook and let either Kathi or JoAnn know if you are interested in one.

YEARBOOK

Evelyn Johnson, Editor

I will be working on the 2025 - 2026 Yearbook in the next few months. If you are a new member, or if you don't have a picture in the current Yearbook, please text or email me a "headshot" jpg photo. Diane Provenzano is willing to take pictures of anyone missing a picture, or wanting a new one, at the next two general meetings.

I will be using the renewal forms for all the information. But if anything changes during the summer, please let me know.

It is through the support of our members that we can produce and publish our annual Yearbook. If you would like to renew your ad for the upcoming 2025-2026 Yearbook, please email my sister Annie Smith. Otherwise, she will be reaching out to you. We thank you for your continued support.

MEMBERSHIP V.P.

Diane Provenzano

The deadline for renewals was April 1! If for any reason you do not have an application, you can go to our website, download it, fill it out and mail it to me along with a check for \$45. My address is printed on the bottom of the form.

If for some reason you cannot make that work for you, please call me and I will mail you one right away.

Also, if there is a member you know that needs help filling it out or getting it to me, please let me know, and I will do what I can to help.



HELPING HANDS and SUNSHINE

Heather Barth

HELPING HANDS

A huge thank you to those who brought foodstuffs for the Blessing Boxes – it was very much appreciated by our teams who fill the boxes. Please continue to bring shelf-stable foods to the next meeting if you are able.

Single-serving, pop-top, and easy open types of shelf-stable (non-perishable) items are especially appreciated by the homeless and the regular size cans of meats, vegetables, fruits etc., are helpful to those families using the Blessing boxes. Our teams are also grateful for the packaged or boxed items like cereal, pasta, snacks, etc., as these are lighter for them to handle.

Just know that whatever type of container or non-perishable food you bring is always acceptable. The above-mentioned items are ideas of what you can donate with both the homeless and families in mind.

SUNSHINE

This month PRT has sent donations in memory of these loved ones:

•**Carlene Romeo** - \$200 to St Jude Children's Research Hospital

•**Arnie Peterson** (husband of Carol) - \$100 to Placentia Veterans

•**Bill Larson** (husband of Carol) - \$100 to City of Hope

On a brighter note, members recognized at the March meeting for who they are and what they bring to the Club were:

Evelyn Johnson: This lovely lady received recognition for her cheerful spirit, her can-do attitude, and her willingness to share her gifts and energy volunteering in so many ways – the energizer bunny has nothing on Evelyn! She keeps all of us informed by putting our Newsletter (The Leaf) together each

month, during the summer she creates our Yearbook, and with her sister Annie, is our Veterans Chair. Thank you, Evelyn, for being a joy to serve with and for all you do – you are a blessing to not only each one of us but to all you come in contact with.

Pam Boyle: Pam radiates kindness and humility, has a listening ear, and rarely interrupts the person with whom she is speaking. She is open to differing ideas and no matter who you are or what you have said, you will usually receive a gentle response from her regardless whether she agrees with you or not. When Pam sees a need, she offers to help regardless of what the need may be. She truly is an asset to our Club with her willingness to volunteer where she can. Thank you, Pam, you are a very special person.

Note: There will be no Sunshine recognition at the April meeting as I will be in cruising the Danube, but I do need suggestions for May, so please send them to me via email.

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Just a reminder that we always need ribbon for our soup packages, centerpieces and gift baskets!

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**And if anyone has fabric or notions they wanted to clean out, Diane Provenzano would happily take them for the Threads of Love organization.**

## **VETERANS**

**Annie Smith, Evelyn Johnson, Co-Chairs**

### **Patriots & Paws**

On March 21 we delivered a check for \$1,000 to Patriot & Paws, one of our identified non-profit organizations, to share in the profit from our Festival of Trees fundraiser. Patriots & Paws will be hosting their 3rd Annual BBQ Smoke Off Competition on Saturday, April 12 at their facilities in Anaheim. More information is available on the Veterans' table.

### **Veterans House OC**

On March 21 we delivered a check for \$1,000 to Veterans House OC another of our identified non-profit organizations, to share in the profit from our Festival of Trees fundraiser.

### **Spring-Time Rounds**

We will be delivering bus passes for the residents at OC Veterans houses. And We will be delivering Access coupons, laundry pods and quarters for the residents at Veteran's Village in Placentia.

Special thanks to the many members who continually contribute items to our veteran community. Just give Annie, Evelyn or Sally Bontrager a call to coordinate a pick up.

Wishing all of our members the best of the Easter Season. We live in the greatest country and have so many things to be grateful for.

God Bless America.

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## **DOMESTIC VIOLENCE**

**Lisa Arndt, Chair**

Spring means it's time for flowers to bloom, and it is said that "Friends are the flowers of life." This couldn't be truer with our wonderful Club. Here I have found fun, friendships and many kindred spirits coming together for the causes we serve. Thank you all for all you do for our community!

April is "National Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month." The color to wear in support of this cause is Teal or Blue. The focus of these efforts is assisting parents, family, and caregivers, to identify, find, and secure concrete support in times of need helps to ensure they and their family receive the necessities everyone deserves. Find out more at <http://www.cdss.ca.gov/inforesources/OCAP/CAP-Month>.

Spring also means Mother's Day is right around the corner and it's time to shower our love on the mothers and babies at Casa Teresa! This month we will be collecting donations for the wonderful mothers and babies at the shelter. You can get a jump on your shopping now and bring your donations into our April or May general meetings.

Please see the attached list of items we have donated in the past and are always welcomed and well received! Please consider purchasing one or more of these items. We will be collecting donations at our next two meetings. If you are unable to attend, please call or text me to make arrangements for pick up.

We are also planning an upcoming tour of Casa Teresa in April or May. Date and time will be announced soon! This is a fun and engaging way to see the shelter, the work they are doing there and to see first-hand where your donations are making a difference. I hope you can attend! As always, thank you for your generosity, kindness and love towards these amazing women in need, they are always so grateful and we are blessed by our ability to give and share.

Love and Blessings!



**Tuesday, April 22, 2025**

### **Mother's Day List :**

- ☐ **Personal Water Bottles with lids/ no straws**
- ☐ **Eyeshadow Pellets (Neutral Colors)**
- ☐ **Eye Lashes**
- ☐ **Lip Glosses**
- ☐ **Mascara**
- ☐ **Foundation (Different Color Tones)**
- ☐ **Eye Liners**
- ☐ **Slippers**
- ☐ **Hair Barrettes**
- ☐ **Fashion Earrings (Not Long or dangly)**
- ☐ **Perfumed Lotions**
- ☐ **Chocolates**
- ☐ **Books (Healthy- Inspirational Novels or Cook Books)**



### **Baby Items:**

- ☐ **Baby Boy Blankets (20)**
- ☐ **Burp Cloths (20)**
- ☐ **Bathtubs (20) (Neutral Colors)**
- ☐ **Full Grooming/Health Kits (20)**
- ☐ **Baby Carriers (Not Wraps) (20)**
- ☐ **Diaper Rash Cream (20)**
- ☐ **Boppy (10)**
- ☐ **Diaper Bags (10)**
- ☐ **Baby Monitors (10)**
- ☐ **Size 6 Diapers (Pampers, Huggies and Luvs) (20)**
- ☐ **2T-3T Pull ups (20)**
- ☐ **Newborn 0-3 months Boy Outfits (20)**
- ☐ **Baby Boy Blankets (10)**
- ☐ **Boys Clothes 2T-5T (20)**
- ☐ **Baby Wipes (20)**
- ☐ **Baby Formula- Liquid Preferred (Similac 360 Total Care, Enfamil and Gentle lease)**
- ☐ **Girl Receiving Blankets (20)**
- ☐ **Zipper or Velcro swaddles (15)**
- ☐ **Teethers/rattles (20)**
- ☐ **Boy/Girl Hooded Bath Towels (20 each)**
- ☐ **Baby Boy Shoes 0-3 Months (20)**
- ☐ **Diaper Genie Refills (20)**
- ☐ **Diaper Bags (Backpack Style) (10)**

## SECTIONS V.P.

*Kathy T., Chair*

The Chairpersons listed below would be happy to answer any questions.

### **BOOKWORMS**



Kim Deweese, Chair

Meets: the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

2 p.m. at the Clubhouse

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, April 17

Book: The Only Plane in the Sky by Garrett Graff

### **BRIDGETTES**



Lynne Buzdar, Mary Kay McMahon, Co-Chairs

Meets: the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

10 a.m. at the Clubhouse

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, April 9

### **BUNCO**



Pam Horn, Chair

**Please note New Meeting Day!**

Meets: the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday

1 p.m. at the Clubhouse

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, April 9

Please bring \$5 to play

### **GOURMET**



Bonnie Carren, Kim Deweese, Co-Chairs

Meets: the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, April 23

Location and time: Check the signup sheet for info at the Sections Table at the April 2 general meeting, or contact Bonnie C. Hope to see you there!

### **SCRIBES**



Stephanie Leon, Chair

Meets: the 2<sup>nd</sup> AND 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays

10-11:30 a.m. at the Clubhouse

NEXT MEETINGS: Wednesday, April 9 and 23

Come by and join us and listen to our unique, universal stories!



The *LEAF*, April, 2025  
Evelyn Johnson, Editor

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## **GENERAL MEETING**

**April 2, 2025**

**Social Time: 9:00 a.m.**

**Meeting Time: 10:00 a.m.**

**Lunch: 12:00 noon**

**Program:** **SCHOOL COUNSELOR ~ Laura Campasano**

**Chairs:** JoAnn Woodard, Nancy Solesbee

**Committee:** Laurie Arroyo, Sharon Galassi, Annie Smith, Karen Richards,  
Stephanie Leon, Evelyn Johnson, Kathy Trosko