

# WOMAN'S CLUB OF ARROYO GRANDE BULLETIN

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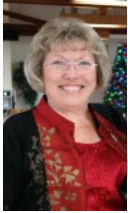


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January 2018

White Christmas



As the Kindred Spirits sang, "Silver Bells" last Friday, I was reminded of holiday shopping trips (gifts for my relatives), on snowy days in Illinois hearing that played over loudspeakers on the streets of our town. Each of us has special memories and traditions associated with this time of year and no one leaves a performance by Kindred Spirits without wearing a smile. My wish for each of you is that you carry the spirit of giving and gratitude through this season.

Our next luncheon will be provided without the use of our kitchen by our innovative caterers. We are asked to bring nonperishable food items for needy students at Cal Poly. Some of the items requested are: beef or turkey jerky, dried fruit, pre-packaged nuts, nut butters, fruit spreads, cereal boxes, individually wrapped trail mix, fruit and nut bars, canned tuna, chicken or soup, beans, canned vegetables and chicken or vegetable broth.

2018 will surely bring more new members and friends, a new commercial kitchen, amazing fund raisers and student scholarship winners to meet. I wish you all health in the New Year, and happy memories from this year.

Debbie Audet

## January Luncheon Meeting, Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup> @ noon

Co-chairs Cindy Moreno and Chris Finney, along with their January committee will welcome us to 2018 with warmth and comfort. They are asking all of our members to bring non-perishable food items to the meeting. They will be delivering these food items to the Cal Poly Food Pantry, helping out the students. With our own local food pantry out of commission right now, our member, Pat Hermenegildo, who works at Cal Poly, sparked the idea! The menu for us is Italian Sausage soup, and Tomato Bisque soup (gluten free), bread (some gluten free), salad, and dessert.

We are pleased to have last year's Music Scholarship winner "Cello Boy" Andrew Davies and his mother Susan Davies (accompanist) perform for us. Andrew is a continuing student at Cal State Long Beach. We thank Alison Stuart, the Chairperson who established the fund raiser for this scholarship which is presented at the May meeting. The Talent Showcase on Sunday, January 28 at 2 p.m. is the fund raiser for the 3rd Annual Music and Dance Scholarship.

Elizabeth Koch-Murray, our Scholarship Chairperson for the academic scholarships, will be welcoming former scholarship winners who will be sharing their experiences. Principal Jennifer Bowen and Counselor Bernie Dominguez of Lopez High School will give some insights of what their programs offer. In 2018 we are adding a Visual Arts Scholarship funded by an anonymous donor. The January 12 meeting is a time to celebrate the fruits of our labor.

*Sofia McHugh*

Don't forget to make your reservations with Ellen Bavaro at 473-2834 or [fabbav@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fabbav@sbcglobal.net) by *Monday, January 8<sup>th</sup>*. If you're planning to eat, get your \$14 in the mail to Ellen.



## Starting Our Year Off Right!



**WONDERFUL SUCCESS!** As many of you already know the 10th Annual Artisan Faire was a tremendously enjoyable occasion as well as being a great fundraising success for our scholarship fund drive. We did substantially better than the year before and that is the result of hard work on the part of so many of our club members so thank you all so much! Again thank you to everyone who put up posters, spread the word on line, staffed the cafe, baked pies and made the amazing yummy food the cafe served, sold raffle tickets and did all the other jobs that are part of an event like this - it all went very smoothly and our vendors were so happy and already excited about coming back next year.

**NEXT UP:** Our **THIRD ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC/DANCE TALENT SHOWCASE** on Sunday, January 28th at 2 PM at the clubhouse. Tickets are already available (just call me and I can drop them by or see me at our January club lunch) and I hope all of you will plan to come and bring your family, friends and neighbors. We should have a brilliant program with singers, dancers, instrumentalists and a scene from a Broadway musical! This is a great way to introduce people to our club as well since the talent showcase is not only a wonderful afternoon of entertainment but also funds our music/dance-centric high school scholarship. The winner of last year's scholarship will be at our January club lunch to update everyone on how much our encouragement and financial assistance can mean to a young person pursuing a career in the arts. Please sign up to bring brownies, blondies or cookies as you can - your help in providing refreshments is greatly appreciated.

**DON'T FORGET** to hang on to any new items you may receive during the holidays that you don't want and might make a good Bingo prize - I will be happy to take those off your hands :) And gather up your unwanted jewelry (costume and/or fine) for our Jewelry-With-a-Past pop-up store that is part of Bingo in March - bring those items to the January meeting to give to Rose or Caroline.

**HAPPY NEW YEAR** and thank you again for all your help and support! With love and hugs, Alison

We have an anonymous donor who is offering two \$1,000 scholarships this year, and again next year to be awarded to students who want to continue their education with an emphasis in visual arts. Because of this, the Board approved adding a co-chair and increasing the size of the Scholarship Committee. Many thanks to our generous donor.

Thank you to the members who helped with packing up the kitchen, & providing boxes. We'll be able to store our cups/saucers, flatware, towels, etc. in boxes in the basement until we get ready to move into the new kitchen. We're hoping to be back in by May, but we'll have to wait and see.

We still have pink Woman's Club tee shirts available for purchase. They are three quarter sleeve, V-neck, wash & wear with the logo on the front left side. They cost \$20. Sizes remaining are: 3-small, 4-medium, 6-large, If you'd like one of the club tees, contact Toni Kelly @ 510-304-1250.



December Brunch meeting





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

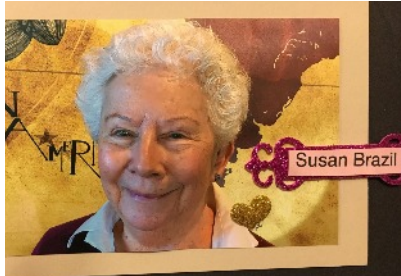
## January Birthdays

Elisabeth Koch-Murray 7  
 Annette Smith 18  
 Vivien McClintock 22  
 Freddie Newman 30

Many thanks to Cindy Moreno for providing all of the photography at the December Brunch

The Food Bank is in need of egg cartons again. Please bring your egg cartons to the meetings each month so that we can help. This is a simple thing that goes a long way!

Former member, Elisa Vega has taken a bad fall and broken her shoulder. If you'd like to send her a card, her address is: 25422 Sea Bluffs Dr. #307, Dana Point, CA 92729



It's been a long time coming...over 5 years. But, the Woman's Club's new kitchen will be under construction beginning in January! Also, we'll be seeing improvements to the patio and parking lot. Those of you who bought personalized bricks will see them soon. Be extra careful in the construction zones. Thanks for Believing!

Let's welcome our newest member, Susan Brazil. She will be welcomed into our club at the January meeting. Please enter her info into your yearbook: 397 Mesa Verde Dr . (805) 474-5682



Thanks to co-chairs, Barbara Schieffer and Moe Boyd, along with their committee, Paula Waugaman, Nancy Vanderziel, Robyn Dunne, Mary Sorensen, and Marsha Stillman for decorating so charmingly. Special thanks to Loretta Newman who made the beautiful Christmas tablecloths from donated material. It looks like everyone enjoyed the December Brunch meeting! There were 44 members and 8 guests in attendance. Everyone enjoyed the festive Christmas music from the Kindred Spirits and a delicious brunch prepared by Carleen and Dagmar. The committee added the champagne glasses with Martinellis's bubbly! Gretchen collected \$148 for the Opportunity Drawing, and the winners, Alison Stuart and Deenee Reynolds, both went home with \$37! Congratulations to both!

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## GROUP NEWS

**ART:** Mondays, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Bring your art supplies & a sack lunch. All levels welcome. Contact: Mary Carson, 473-5801

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #1:** 11 a.m., third Wednesday of the month. Bring sack lunch & drink. Contact: Patti Roberts, 474-0444.

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #2:** 11 a.m., fourth Wednesday of the month. Bring sack lunch & drink. Contact: Gretchen Weckstein 473-1366. **Will train anyone interested in learning to be a sub.**

**HAND & FOOT CANASTA #3:** 10:30 a.m., fourth Monday of the month. Bring sack lunch & drink. Contact: Suzy Anderson, 473-1819.

**CRAFTS:** 9:30 a.m. third & fourth Wednesdays. Contact: Karen Lujan, 489-2895.

Thank you all so much for thinking of me during a difficult time. I really appreciated all of the phone calls, cards, flowers and plants. Being a part of the Woman's Club is such a blessing.



Laura Vopatek

## SUNSHINE



Our good thoughts go out to our members who need a little sunshine.

Moe Boyd, Carol Browne, Freddie Newman, and Laura Vopatek, with the loss of her mother

Ladies! Its that time again for the *Jewelry With a Past Boutique* (a significant part of our March Bingo fundraiser). We are asking for your wonderful unwanted jewelry (precious or costume), purses, scarves or anything related to jewelry. Please bring your donations to any of our upcoming club monthly meetings or drop them off to me at my house: 1161 Rose Court, Grover Beach (805) 474-9917. Thanks!  
Rose Scalzo

**Each luncheon is \$14. When you make your reservation and pay for your meal, you will be given a lunch ticket at the door. The ticket will be turned in when you receive your plate.**

Please send your news article or Bulletin input to Mary Carson, by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to the newsletter.  
maryccarson@msn.com or 473-5801