

WOMAN'S CLUB OF ARROYO GRANDE BULLETIN



FUN, FRIENDS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

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September 2018



Welcome to a new year of club events, luncheons, board meetings, and fund raisers. It has been a busy summer at my house. Jim has recovered from his knee replacement surgery and we are out in the world again. Our theme this year is "Smiles and Hugs". Smiles that **Help yoU Grow Stronger**. We can all use a smile every day and there are never too many hugs from people that care. Let's all strive to offer our friends -- old and new -- the smile and hug they need to feel stronger and thrive.



The Kitchen is done! Hurray to Mary, Laura, Cindy and Elisabeth for sticking with it and accomplishing what seemed like a thankless, never-ending task. Moe and her "kitchen krew" have spent a lot of time putting things right again. Thank you, Deanna, Sally and Barbara.

We start the new year with our first meeting themed "It's a Jungle Out There". Wear your animal print "whatevers" and join us for a trip back to the jungle in South Africa. This is the annual meeting where board members (with the help of committee chairs) present finger food desserts. Sharon has planned a program from Pacific Wildlife Care to complement our animal theme.

Plans are underway for the Harvest Festival. We will have a booth this year to promote the club – cookie decorating and, of course, club information to welcome potential members. Our participation in the parade, thank you, Gaye, includes a trolley ride so locate your Woman's Club t-shirt and join us on September 29. We meet in front of the A G Library at 8:30 that morning.

Supporting the charities of our community, I will have Empty Bowls tickets for sale at the meeting. Empty Bowls supports the 5 Cities Homeless Coalition. This year the event is Wednesday, September 26 and tickets are \$25. See you at the meeting September 14.

Smiles and Hugs,
Toni Kelly



Friday, September 14, at noon...It's A Jungle Out There!



Wild Things! Our first meeting of the 2018-19 year...you don't want to miss it! Let's get back together and start off with some fun. Toni Kelly & Charlie Hanna, along with the board members and Standing Committees and Special Committees will be providing some sweets and some finger foods to enjoy. We would like to have you show your wild side by wearing your jungle prints, i.e. zebra, leopard, tiger, snake, giraffe, and wild animal prints. The program will be Pacific Wildlife Care, with a film and demonstration! We ask that you R.S.V.P. to Ellen Bavaro @ 473-2834 so that we know how many of you will join us. There will be a charge of \$5 at the door, that pays for our coffee/tea and meeting essentials for the year. Hope to see you there!

NEW CLUB YEAR! NEW OPPORTUNITIES TO FUND RAISE AND HAVE FUN!

Greetings to all the wonderful ladies of the Woman's Club of Arroyo Grande! I so look forward to seeing all of you again at our first club meeting in September. We will have three major fundraising events again this year (the Artisan Faire on Saturday, November 17th, the High School Performing Arts Talent Showcase on Sunday, January 27th, and Bingo at St. John's Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 16th) in addition to Spirit Night at McClintock's, December 4th. AND we are going to try something new - as both a fundraiser and an opportunity for community outreach we will have a booth at the Arroyo Grande Harvest Festival on Saturday, September 29th at which we will offer "decorate yourself" cookies (plain sugar cookies with a variety of decorating options for young and old to enjoy creatively and purchase). I'll be taking sign ups for people to spend an hour or two at the booth on that day, so please volunteer if you can - it should be big fun as well as a great chance to publicize our club and hopefully attract new members. Preparation for the Artisan Faire gets underway in September as well and if you can help with the Faire cafe please plan to attend a planning meeting towards the end of September - let me know if you can help and I will make sure to keep you informed. More vendors are always welcome at our Faire so if you know anyone who is an artist or crafter (handmade goods only, please) that might like to sell their wares at our Faire please ask them to contact me ASAP.

Your suggestions and input are always welcome so don't hesitate to call or email me if you have any ideas or thoughts that will improve our fundraising efforts. Last year was another "record setter" for our Club in giving back to our community and I hope we can do it again this year just as cooperatively and effectively!

With love and hugs to you all,
Alison.



New! Mexican Train Group

Contact Karen Thomas 805-473-0303 for information.

IMPORTANT

Sandy Ferris will be distributing the new 2018-19 yearbooks. Please make sure you pick up your book from her at our first meeting. Also, please note when you will be required to work on a monthly committee. If you are unable to work that month, you may trade with another member and notify your co-chairs. Otherwise, you are required to pay \$10 to your chairman if you are absent from the committee.

There will be a vote needed from our members to approve the new budget for this coming year. Please be at the meeting to hear the plan.

Have you been saving your egg cartons over the summer? Bring them in to our first meeting.



- We decided that the group will meet on the third Friday of the month at 10:30 AM
- We will rotate homes b/c the Club House is not available to us
- Everyone brings their own lunch
- We must have at least three players to play a game; if only 2 can play then game will be cancelled that month
- If we have 3-7 players, we will play on one table; if we have 8 or more players we will play a second table
- PLEASE.....RSVP each month so the hostess will know if she needs to set up one or two tables.

At this printing, the hostesses will be:

Sept 12 Gretchen Weckstein 805-473-1366
October 19 [no host yet]
November 16 Gaye Peltzman 805-474-8977
December [no game—Have a good holiday!]
January 18 Jean Schultz 760-703-2508



September Birthdays

Joyce House	1	Sally Weitkamp	13
Loretta Newman	4	Gaye Peltzman	14
Pat Schiller	5	Deane Reynolds	17
Barbara Schieffer	8	Suzy Anderson	19
Linda Kay Johnson	9	Barbara Wright	22
Beverlee Handley	10	Valerie Kates	24
Chris Finney	11	Joyce House	29
Carlene Alexander	12	Sally Payne	29



Harvest Festival

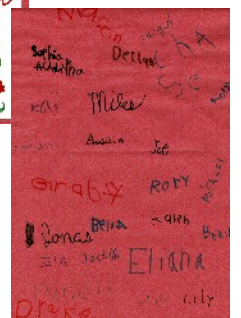
September 29th, Saturday, we will all be wearing our Club tee shirts (pink) and meeting in front of the Arroyo Grande Library at 8:30 a.m. to board the trolley and ride in the parade. It's a fun morning, and remember, it was the Woman's Club who started the festival 81 years ago! Be there!

Our artists fared well at the Mid-State Fair! Make sure you check out the winners entries at our first meeting. We're especially proud of Joan Goodall, who won the Carol Bateman award for her watercolor floral. Moe Boyd won a 1st place for her lovely stitchery, Barbara Schieffer won a 2nd place for her knitted afghan. Laura Vopatek won a 1st, 2nd, and a 3rd place for her three paintings. Gloria Haas won a 1st and a 2nd for her four paintings, and Mary Carson won two 2nd places for her three paintings. Congratulations, ladies!



Toni Kelly and Anita McCort with our Cuesta College re-entry Nursing Program 2018 scholarship recipient, Melinda Gibbs.

The Woman's Club received a very nice thank you note from the kids at the City of Arroyo Grande's Children In Motion program. Our club gave a nice donation to them in May.



Our new kitchen is up & running! It took us six years from our first meeting to get the idea started to the finish line, but now it's so worth it! Thank you to all of our members who supported us throughout the fund raising events, and thank you to Elisabeth Koch-Murray, Laura Vopatek, Cindy Moreno, and Mary Carson, along with the City of Arroyo Grande, especially John Rogers & Geoff English, Jill McPeek, and Sheridan Bohlken for all of your efforts.



The patio with the new personalized pavers is next, should be right around the time of our September meeting, and new lighting & fans for the clubhouse, soon!

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September 2018

GROUP NEWS

ART: Mondays, 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Bring your art supplies & a sack lunch. All levels Welcome. Contact: Laura Vopatek, 570-1807

HAND & FOOT CANASTA #1: 11 a.m., third Wednesday of the month. Bring sack lunch & drink. Contact: Jean Schultz, (760) 703-2508

HAND & FOOT CANASTA #2: 11 a.m., fourth Wednesday of the month. Bring sack lunch & drink. Contact: Gretchen Weckstein, 473-1366.

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.

MEXICAN TRAIN: 10:30 a.m. third Friday of the month. Contact: Karen Thomas, 473-0303

MAH JONG: third Monday of the month, 10:30 a.m. Contact: Mary Weeks, (775) 721-4747.



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

Cheery notes to Anita McCort, Vivien McClintock, Rose Goddard, Joyce House, Patti Roberts, Betty LaPlante, and Suzy Anderson

Get Well cards to Marsha Stillman, Caroline Blewitt, Pat Hermenegildo, Mary Ann Shoebridge and May English

Congratulations on new home to Barbara Vasquez

Congratulations on new baby girl, Malaya Danae, to Dana Pojas

Sympathy cards to Deane Reynolds for the loss of her father,

and



Elisabeth Koch-Murray, for the loss of her husband, Jack

Please contact Pat Lombardini, (805) 489-4869 if you know someone who needs a little sunshine. Anyone who has extra cards to donate to Pat would be appreciated.