



Channel Islands Gulls

Raising Funds for Ventura County Charities since 1976 Tax ID: 770264483

Presidents Message: Connie Consie

Hello Gulls, as I step into the role of president, I'm really excited about the year ahead and all that we will be doing together. We're committed to making our events fun, meaningful, and successful as we continue to support our mission and raise funds for our wonderful charities. I look forward to connecting with all of our members and getting to know everyone better in the coming year. I hope you'll join us at PCYC for the January Luncheon on the 15th. I'd love to see you there and kick off the year together.

Connie Consie, President



Jan. 26 "The Flight Log"

SAVE THE DATE:

January Luncheon
Thursday, Jan. 15TH
Social Hour 11am
Meeting and Luncheon 12pm
Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club
Oxnard CA
\$60 Donatio-

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Vice Presidents Message: Janina Szczechowicz

Hi Ladies, as we head into the new year, I'm really looking forward to all of the great events we have planned. We're mixing things up again this year to give everyone more chances to join us, whether that's at a luncheon or at one of our evening social hours. We'll be sending out the full year's schedule to members soon so you can mark your calendars. At our January 15th luncheon, we'll be kicking things off with a basket raffle and a 50/50 raffle, so be sure to come ready for some fun. I hope to see many of you there as we start another great year together.

Janina, VP

*Please view the website for
more future events
www.channelislandsgulls.org*

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We are currently at **145** members

OUR "CHANGE" IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE!

We have collected **\$354** to date. Bring your spare change to the luncheon. Let's keep those coins coming!

Giving Gulls

On behalf of the Channel Islands Gulls, the board wants to extend our deepest gratitude for your exceptional and consistent support throughout this past year! Thanks to your sustained donations, we were able provide essential resources to our wonderful charities.

ADVERTISE WITH THE GULLS

Contact: Jackie Quick | Email: quicktan@yahoo.com

Advertising to our members is a great way to get the word out about your business or services while supporting the Gulls' charities.

Business Card size- price \$30

1/2 page price \$75

Full page price \$130

There are more discounts available for 6 months

and 1 year commitments. For details contact Jackie Quick at 661-527-2525



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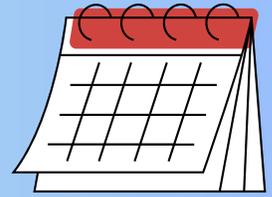
Gift cards – great gifts for every budget. When you purchase a gift card from the Gulls, we receive 30% of the proceeds!
\$25, \$50, \$75, \$100 Amounts

Channel Islands Gulls Greeting Cards! Original Painting by Gull Nancy Klein

Purchase yours at the next luncheon.
Packets of 8 cards/envelopes - \$30.
Cards left blank for your message.

EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



Join your Gull-friends for our January luncheon at the beautiful Pacific Corinthian Yacht Club, a perfect setting to toast a fresh year together.



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January Luncheon

STARTER:

Tomato Bisque

ENTREE 1:

Chicken Picatta

*Sautéed chicken breast with lemon capers
paired with vegetable medley & rice pilaf*

ENTREE 2:

Barramundi

*Grilled Barramundi filet topped with citrus
burr-blanc paired with vegetable medley &
rice pilaf*

ENTREE 3:

Cobb Salad

*Shredded iceberg lettuce with grilled
chicken, crispy bacon, hard boiled egg,
diced tomatoes, crumbled blue cheese,
avocado & scallions ranch dressing*

DESSERT:

Carrot Cake Heavenly

LUCKY MARTINI \$7

HOUSE WINES \$7

CORKAGE \$6

SUNSHINE & IN-MEMORIAM

Cheryl Mahoney & Shirley Spangenberg



Brooke Primero, Kelly Eriksson and Kristen Eriksson ringing in the New Year in beautiful Maui



Janina Szecehowicz and fiancé Scott Wilson feel blessed to have visited Panama this holiday season



Gull-friends enjoying some holiday cheer

We Want to Hear from YOU!
Share your special news for
Sunshine & In-Memoriam!

Contact:

Cheryl Mahoney (805) 302-8086
Shirley Spangenberg (805) 824-4005
or email to Lori Madsen
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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Alexa Garfunkle
Cathy Gintjee
Peggy Hicks-Moore
Rebecca Loving Nichols
Carolyn Samuelson
Amy Singletary
Eileen Sutton
Pat Yost

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY GULLS



Attention Gulls with birthdays **this month**:
Attend this month's luncheon and be eligible to win a Swarovski birthstone bracelet or earrings. You must be present to participate in the free drawing. Plan to attend the Gulls luncheon in your birthday month for a chance to win! Thank you Sarah K for the jewelry donation!

A Little Humor From Shirley:

If it wasn't for my incredible willpower, I'd be exercising right now!

You know when you buy a bag of salad and it gets all brown and soggy? Cookies don't do that.!

CHARITY SPOTLIGHT

Brooke Primero



This month, I want to highlight 2025 charities we honored with Gulls gifts, to encourage you to consider how you might want to volunteer or get involved:

Caregivers: – Volunteers Assisting the Elderly: With four full-time staff and 400 volunteers, this terrific charity serves 600+ home-bound seniors in Ventura County.

Forever Found: Provides direct services for youth to ensure their safety and assist with identifying potential trafficking victims, providing trauma care, and immediate needs for exploited youth.

Lighthouse for Women and Children: Provides shelter and training to 400 of Ventura County's homeless women and 200 children in the next 12 months.

Many Meals of Camarillo: Provides 100 weekly takeout meals for those in need, entrees and desserts donated by volunteers, along with once-a-month shopping bags with comfort items such as toilet paper, soap, etc.

Miracle League 805: Provides every player interested in baseball – no matter their physical challenges – an opportunity to learn and enjoy the sport!

Nate's Place: A Wellness and Recovery Center: delivers targeted programs to Ventura youth which include Peer Support Recovery Coaching, Healthy Replacement Recreational Activities, Community Information Prevention Talks, Group Counseling/Ed/Support Groups.

Reel Guppy Outdoors: Free youth and family-centered education programs specializing in environmental and marine education, to inspire youth, families and the community to be impactful in the world through personal development.

Ribbons of Life: Our Gulls donations specifically go to the Suz Montgomery Love Gift program, which offers temporary financial support for those dealing with cancer and personal hardship.

Safe Passage: Supports after-school programs for at-risk youth, free school supplies, swim lessons etc along with micro-grants to families to keep the lights on.

St. Vincent De Paul of Santa Paula: Gulls donations go toward rental assistance and utilities for families in need along with Circle V Summer Camp in Santa Barbara.

Threadbender Textiles: dedicated to the empowerment and success of women and men with unique abilities through the weaving and art instruction. Gulls donations provide materials.

Soroptimist International of Oxnard: Gulls donations specifically went to provide a working woman with a scholarship to deepen her professional knowledge or skillset, to further enhance her life and future income possibilities.

Xo,
Brooke

WAYS AND MEANS

Eileen Sutton



Hello Gulls! thank you to all the Gulls who came to our Beautiful Holiday luncheon in December, you all looked so festive. Also, a big thank you to those Gulls who purchased a wine bag, a mystery bag or both!

As the new Ways and Means Board member, I'm so looking forward to fundraising & hoping to raise lots of money for the Gulls this year!

Eileen Sutton
Ways & Means

December Luncheon at Saticoy Country Club



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