

Wednesday Etc. Wire

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President's Message

Hello Members,

Welcome back to Wednesday Etc. 2023-2024! We hope you have had a wonderful summer! Your Board is already at work, planning exciting speakers and events for the year ahead.

For the September Luncheon, we have **"Shotgun Tom" Kelly** to entertain us – preferably without the shotgun, but we will see! "Shotgun Tom," a native of San Diego, has achieved national fame as a radio and television personality and does

a fabulous presentation. This should be a fun event!

In October, the featured presentation for the Luncheon will be made by speakers from the **Bates Nut Farm**. Check out this interesting place, with its wide variety of nuts, fruit, candy, teas, etc, available for purchase online or in the store in Valley Center: <https://batesnutfarm.biz/home.htm>

Also in October, we will celebrate the **"50th Anniversary of Wednesday Etc."** with some special memories. It is quite amazing that this group has existed and grown over such a long period of time -- thanks to our many wonderful active members who have worked so diligently over the years!

November will be the yearly fundraiser, through which we raise the funds that support activities and special events during the year. Included in this Newsletter is a request for you to begin to identify things that you will contribute to the **"Holiday Street Faire" on November 8th**. We need your help once again!

So, it looks like a busy Fall! To make the most of your membership,

please check over the list of Activity Groups and see if you want to sign up for a new activity. We are hoping to add another Hand & Foot Group #3 and a Rummikub Group. If you have thoughts about things the Club should do, please reach out to one of the Board Members with your ideas. We look forward to hearing your thoughts and seeing you at the September Luncheon.

Some Thoughts About Friendships:

"True friends are like diamonds – bright, beautiful, valuable, and always in style." – **Nicole Richie**

"If you have two friends in your lifetime, you're lucky. If you have one good friend, you're more than lucky." – **S. E. Hinton**

"Friendships between women, as any woman will tell you, are built of a thousand small kindnesses... swapped back and forth and over again." – **Michelle Obama, Becoming**

Hoping for good friends and happy times for you through the year ahead!

— **Barbara Moely**

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Or (cell) (504) 914-3322

2023-24 Executive Board

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WEDNESDAY ETC. BOARD 2023-2024!



Mary Ann Quigley, Vicky Hansen, Jo Willis, Lynn Cramer, Barbara Moely, Dotti Auletta, Linda Freeman, Sandy Bolger, and Ruth Stewart (Connie Griffin, Jan Murray, Faye Wilkerson, and Rita Johnson not shown.)

**DON'T FORGET TO
RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP
DEADLINE IS SEPTEMBER 1, 2023**

We need everyone to renew their membership by SEPTEMBER 1, 2023, so that all the members' names and contact information can be included in the new Club Directory, which we want to publish and hand out in October.

Please fill out the Membership Renewal Form, which is attached as the last page of this Newsletter. Mail your form along with your dues check for \$35 for E-mail delivery of the monthly Club Newsletter, or \$45 for U.S. Mail delivery of the monthly Club WIRE Newsletter. For more information, please contact Membership Chair, Jo Willis, at jowillis91919@gmail.com or (858) 204-8603.

**WEDNESDAY ETC CLUB
INCOME & EXPENSES**

Number of Members: 121

BEGINNING CASH BALANCE: \$8,885.19

INCOME

Fundraisers - Dinners	\$1,802.93
Fundraisers - Marketplace & Misc	\$3,058.08
Jokers Wild	\$774.00
Luncheon Raffles	\$375.55
Membership Dues	\$4,235.00
Miscellaneous Income	\$18.96
Newsletter Mailings	\$190.00

Total Income: \$10,454.52

EXPENSES

Board Expenses	\$34.48
Charitable Giving	\$500.00
Directory Mailing and Supplies	\$19.81
Directory Printing	\$182.51
Email Service	\$193.80
Insurance E & O	\$1,160.00
Luncheons	\$48.48
Member Appreciation	\$880.00
Misc Expense	\$76.57
Nametags	\$82.48
New Member Tea	\$253.60
Newsletter Print & Postage	\$275.43
Newsletter Publishing	\$1,206.79
PO Box and Keys	\$194.00
President's Gift	\$100.00
Programs, Speaker Lunches	\$1,842.98
Sunshine Cards & Postage	\$276.16
Web Domain Name	\$599.52
Website Webmaster	\$1,415.00

Total Expenses: \$9,341.61

ENDING CASH BALANCE: \$9,998.10

**THE WEDNESDAY ETC.
"BINGO PARLOR" LUNCHEON
June 14, 2023**

Our year-end Wednesday Etc. "Bingo Parlor" Luncheon on June 14th was exciting and fun with lots of winners! Congratulations to Barbara Shaw, who won the year-end 2023 Joker's Wild drawing of \$250 at the June 14th "Bingo Parlor" Luncheon! Thank you Lynn Cramer and Madelyn Reina for the organization and great presentation of this wonderful event!



**Madelyn Reina
and Lynn Cramer,
Program Chairs!**



**Bev Lipka,
Joker's Wild Chairman,
and Barbara Shaw,
the June 2023
Grand Winner!**

**FUN THINGS TO DO
BULLETIN BOARD**

■ HAND & FOOT GROUP #3

If you would like to join a new Hand & Foot Group #3, we are seeking members who are not presently playing in the #1 or #2 Groups. Please contact Ruth Stewart at ruthstew269@yahoo.com or (858) 451-2722.

■ RUMMICUB GROUP

Are you interested in learning and playing the fun tile game of Rummicub? Please contact Ruth Stewart at ruthstew269@yahoo.com or (858) 451-2722.



September 13, 2023 LUNCHEON

“SHOTGUN TOM” KELLY

Renowned American Radio
and Television Announcer

We are very honored to have
“Shotgun Tom” Kelly as our guest speaker for
our opening September Luncheon 2023-2024!

“Shotgun Tom” Kelly is a renowned American radio and television personality, two-time Emmy Award winner, “Billboard Air Personality of the Year” winner and recipient of a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. “The voice of Shotgun Tom Kelly has entertained us for many years,” said Leron Gubler President & CEO of the Hollywood Chamber of Commerce. He has won multiple Emmy Awards as Outstanding Host, particularly the Jerry Lewis Muscular Dystrophy Telethon and Bob Hope USO.

VACCINATED MEMBERS AND GUESTS ONLY

TO MAKE A RESERVATION

PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO:

DOTTI AULETTA at dotssd@icloud.com

or call Dotti at (760) 567-7409 (with your Menu Choice)

OR

PLEASE SEND EMAIL TO:

JANICE MURRAY at janicemurray13@yahoo.com

or call Janice at (916) 995-7099 (with your Menu Choice)

ATTENTION: NEW PAYMENT METHOD IN EFFECT NOW –

DO NOT MAIL YOUR \$35 CHECK.

YOU MUST PAY AT THE DOOR BY CHECK.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHECK FOR \$35.00

(Payable to Wednesday Etc.).

PLEASE NOTE:

ALL RESERVATIONS MUST BE IN BY FRIDAY AT 5:00 P.M.

PRIOR TO THE WEDNESDAY ETC. LUNCHEON.

The venues we use require a head count and we must pay them whether you attend or not. This includes “pay at the door” reservations.
Thank you in advance for your understanding and compliance.



WHEN

Wednesday, September 13

Social 11:00 a.m.

Lunch Service 11:30 a.m.

Entertainment 12:15 p.m.

WHERE

The Heights Golf Club

16066 Bernardo Heights Pkwy.
San Diego, CA 92128

ENTRÉES

Special Shrimp Salad

with Mango, Avocado, Almonds, Mint,
Red Onion, and Tomato with
Balsamic Dressing

OR

Vegetarian

Same Special Salad as above with no Shrimp

Chef's Choice Dessert

Coffee, Iced Tea, Lemonade,
Arnold Palmers



HELP US PLAN!

Continuing the Wednesday Etc. tradition, we will hold our “Holiday Street Faire” at our November 8th Luncheon. Please start saving items for this fun event. We want to make it extra special with lots of surprises, along with our Wonderful Wrapped Baskets, Books Galore, Pantry Treats, One-of-A-Kind Jewelry, and Leisure Time Treasures.

WONDERFUL WRAPPED BASKETS

We are asking the Interest Groups to prepare the beautiful baskets that are always popular with the members. It is fun to see the creative efforts made by each Group. Also, if you would like to get together with friends to make an individual basket to donate, that would be wonderful too! Let your creativity show in a unique special arrangement. Please let the organizers know if you plan to donate a wrapped basket -- Ruth Stewart at (ruthstew269@yahoo.com or 858 451-2722, or Rita Johnson at rejohnson0308@gmail.com or (858) 349-3069. Ruth and Rita will be responsible for collecting the baskets.

ONE-OF-A-KIND COSTUME JEWELRY

We will offer “previously beloved” costume jewelry (necklaces, earrings, rings, pins, or bracelets) that you have enjoyed in the past but don’t need any more. Thank you, Joanne Thomas, for collecting jewelry items again this year for your beautiful table display. If you want to donate any jewelry pieces, please contact Joanne Thomas at joannethomas45@gmail.com or (858) 485-9432.

BOOKS, LEISURE TIME ACTIVITIES, AND TREASURES

For **BOOKS, GAMES, AND PUZZLES**, please contact Faye Wilkerson at (858) 395-5127, or fwilk@att.net if you have questions or things to contribute.

For **SPECIAL TREASURES**, please contact Connie Griffin at (858) 679-0263, conniegriffin@cox.net or Barbara Moely at (858) 883-2908 or at moely@tulane.edu if you have questions or things to contribute.

CRAFTS AND PLANTS

There will be a CRAFT AND PLANTS table again this year. We hope to have new craft items to interest you. Do you have any items you would like to donate? Please contact Barbara Shaw at barbara@guysshaw.com or (858) 485-8314.

HOLIDAY TREATS - PANTRY

Everyone enjoys the home-made candy, cakes, cookies, pies, jams and jellies, popcorn snacks, etc. created by our members. If possible, we would also like to have some gluten-free options. Please prepare your delicious food items and bring them on the morning of the “Holiday Street Fair” to be held at the November 8th Luncheon at “The Heights Golf Club.” (Our helpers to be determined – please contact Linda Freeman for information.)

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers to help on the day of the “Holiday Street Faire” to make this a big success. Please let us know if you can help. Contact Linda Freeman at lcfree22@gmail.com or 858 775-8830 for more information.

THE "MILE HIGH EXPRESS" MURDER MYSTERY DINNER

June 3, 2023

Thank you for your spirit and participation in the "MILE HIGH EXPRESS" Murder Mystery Dinner, which was held on Saturday, June 3, 2023, at the Bernardo Heights Community Center. Our thanks go out to Grif and Connie Griffin for their very intriguing story with beautiful individual characterized invitations and the special Murder Mystery video. Lynn Cramer did a wonderful job taking over for Rita Johnson as the MC and hostess for the action drama-filled evening. Thank you, Rita, for registering 62 guests for this dinner. Our congratulations to the attendees who solved the murder mystery after much studying of the clues presented! Here are a few pictures of our festive evening and the fabulous 20's outfits worn by our attendees.



Stylish 20's Couple!
Bill and Karen McKurk



Business Associate Jan Murray
and MC Hostess Lynn Cramer



Lovely Ladies!
Dian Andrew and Vicky Hansen!



Fashionable 20th Century Couple!
Linda and Bob Freeman



Stylish Elegant Ladies!
Sharon Saindon and Carol Ihde



20th Century Divas!
Diane Silva and Joan Falkosky



Detective Barbara Moely and son, Jake Wiener,
Railroad Exec., and delightful grandchildren!

Interest Group Activities

BOARD MEETING

September 6, 2023

The Board Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 6, at 10:00 a.m. at the home of Lynn Cramer, 12132 Royal Birkdale Row, #306, San Diego. Please carpool if possible as parking is limited. **Please RSVP to Lynn at lynvin63@gmail.com or (858) 674-0759.**

BOOK CLUB

September 27, 2023

The Wednesday Etc. Book Club continues to meet at Poway Lake on the 4th Wednesday of the month, Wednesday, September 27, at 9:30 a.m. **Our book for September is "Don't Say a Thing" by Tamara Leitner. Our "host" and facilitator will be Judy Leitner.** For more information, please contact Sally Fallon at sallyfallon75@gmail.com or (619) 997-9447; or Karen McGurk at kmcgurkrn@sbcglobal.net

FUN SOCIAL BRIDGE

September 27, 2023

The Fun Social Bridge group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 27, at 1:00 pm at the home of Rita Johnson, 17812 Corte Huasco #62, RB. **To RSVP, please contact Rita Johnson at rejohnson0308@gmail.com or (858) 349-3069.**

2ND TUESDAY BUNCO

September 12, 2023

The Bunco Group #1 meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be held at 12:50 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12, at the home of (to be determined). Check your email for announcement. **PLEASE RSVP to JOANNE THOMAS IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT, at joannethomas45@gmail.com or (858) 485-9432.** (Joanne Thomas is the leader for the Second Tuesday Bunco Group.)

4TH TUESDAY BUNCO

September 26, 2023

The Bunco Group #2 meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 26, starting at 12:00 Noon (snacks only, no lunch) at the home of Vicky Hansen, 10446 Orozco Road, ---San Diego, 92124. Vicky will email directions to her home in Terra Santa. Please carpool if possible. Vicky's cell: (858) 887-0166 or email: vh4sunshine@gmail.com. **PLEASE RSVP TO MARY TAGGART IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT, at marytaggart@yahoo.com or (858) 487-5007.** (Mary is leader of this group.)

CANASTA

September 22, 2023

The Canasta group meets on the fourth Friday of the month. The next meeting will be held at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, September 22, at the home of Shirley Lanthier, 16511 Caminito Vecinos #66, (858)524f-6862 or salanthier34@gmail.com. **PLEASE RSVP TO Sharon Saindon IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT, at s.saindon@yahoo.com or (760) 703-1710.** (Sharon is leader of this group.)

HAND & FOOT #1

September 28, 2023

The Hand & Foot #1 group meets on the fourth Thursday of the month. The Hand & Foot #1 group will be meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 28, at the home of Rita Johnson, 17812 Corte Huasco #62, RB, (858) 349-3069, or rejohnson0308@gmail.com. **Please RSVP to Carolyn Burchell IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT at cburchell@san.rr.com or (858) 217-6162.** (Carolyn Burchell is leader of this group.)

HAND & FOOT #2

September 7, 2023

The Hand and Foot #2 group meets on the first Thursday of the month. Our next meeting will be at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 7, at the home of Joanne Thomas, 17929 Valle de Lobo Drive, Poway, (858-485-9432. The hostess will provide snacks and drinks. **Please let Lynn Cramer know if you CAN or CANNOT ATTEND, at lynvin63@gmail.com or (858) 674-0759.** (Lynn is the leader of this group.)

MAH-JONGGETTES

September 20, 2023

The Mah-Jonggettes meet on the third Wednesday of the month. We will be meeting at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20, at the home of Arlene Tilley, 3645 Vista de la Canada, Escondido, (858) 755-7885 or arlenetilley@gmail.com. **PLEASE RSVP to Carolyn Burchell if you CAN or CANNOT ATTEND, at cburchell@san.rr.com or (858) 217-6162.** (Carolyn Burchell is leader of this group.)

MEXICAN TRAIN DOMINOS

September 15, 2023

The Mexican Train group meets on the third Friday of the month. We will be meet on Friday, September 15, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Barbara Moely, 13730 Aubrey St., Poway. **Please let Barbara know if you plan to attend or not by emailing her at moely@tulane.edu or phoning her at (858) 883-2898 or (504) 914-3322.**

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Barbara Moely is the new leader of the group, and we are grateful to Madelyn Reina for all her work arranging past activities. At the September meeting we will ask members to sign up as hosts for the rest of the year's meetings.

POKER

September 21, 2023

The Poker group meets on the third Thursday of the month. The next meeting will be on Thursday, September 21, at 1:00 p.m. at the home of Sharon Saindon, 13137 Woodmont Street, Poway. **PLEASE RSVP TO SHARON SAINDON AT s.saindon@yahoo.com or (760) 703-1710 IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR NOT.** (Sharon is leader for the Poker group.)



SUNSHINE NEWS

Our sincere condolences go out to two of our members who sadly lost their dear husbands this summer: Chris Giulianotti, who lost her husband, Mike, and Carleen Blackburn, who lost her husband, David. Also, please pray for Stephanie Colson, who is recovering from knee replacement surgery on July 9th, and ML Bennett who is recovering from a fall and

bruises, and Jo Willis who fell and broke her upper left arm recently.

If you know of anyone who needs a little "sunshine," is ill, has had surgery, or is suffering from a loss, please contact Sunshine Chair, Barbara Shaw at barbara@guyshaw.com or (858) 485-8314. Or please contact Sunshine Chair, Dian Andrew at cda7850@hotmail.com or (858) 487-8790.

A Beautiful "Thank You Note"

from Chris Giulianoti

To my very dear friends at Wednesday Etc.:

How can I ever begin to thank you for so many heartwarming cards, beautiful flowers, and for the support from those of you who were able to join me in saying farewell to Mike at his funeral in July. Afterwards we found a brief note that Mike must have written many years ago saying that he wanted his funeral to be a joyous occasion with lots of singing, alcohol, and dancing. We almost had all of that in that we had beautiful singing from our cantor Lupe, some of us had alcohol as we received communion with Altar Wine, but sadly, no dancing in the aisles. I will always truly miss Mike, but he has left me with almost 60 years of amazing memories. We have been so very blessed to have been surrounded by many wonderful friends.

Sincerely, Chris Giulianoti

SEPTEMBER 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	2
3	4	5	6 11:00 am BOARD MEETING Lynn Cramer	7 1:00 pm HAND & FOOT #2 Joanne Thomas	8	9
10	11	12 1:00 pm BUNCO TBD	13 11:00 am LUNCHEON The Heights Golf Club	14	15 1:00 pm MEXICAN TRAIN Barbara Moely	16
17	18	19	20 1:00 pm MAH-JONGGETTES Arlene Tilley	21 1:00 pm POKER Sharon Saindon	22 1:00 pm CANASTA Shirley Lanthier	23
24	25	26 12:00 pm BUNCO (Snacks Only) Vicky Hansen	27 9:30 am BOOK CLUB Poway Lake 1:00 p.m. FUN SOCIAL BRIDGE Rita Johnson	28 1:00 pm HAND & FOOT #1 Rita Johnson	29	30

WEDNESDAY ETC. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION 2023-2024

For all returning members, please complete this Membership Application Form, and mail it with your Dues Payment by **SEPTEMBER 1, 2023**. For new members, please enclose a copy of your VACCINE CARD with your Dues Payment and application.

Important Note: We publish an annual confidential "Wednesday Etc. Club Directory," which lists current member names, addresses, telephone numbers, and email information.

For questions, contact Jo Willis, Membership Chair, at jowillis91919@gmail.com or (858) 204-8603.

Please **CLEARLY PRINT** your personal information below:

Name: _____ Spouse: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: _____

Email: _____ Birthday (month & day): ____/____

Membership Type: (please check) _____ RETURNING member or _____ NEW member

Dues: \$35.00 Newsletter delivered via email **Dues: \$45.00** Newsletters delivered via U.S. Mail

1. **Make your check payable to: Wednesday Etc. Club**
2. **Mail your completed Membership Form, (a copy of your Vaccine Card for new members only), and your Dues Payment to:**

WEDNESDAY ETC. CLUB
Attention: Membership
P.O Box 27985
San Diego, CA 92198

Advertise in the Club Directory: Any member may submit a black/white ad for the directory. Ads must be submitted by **September 1, 2023**, and must be camera-ready. Rates are as follows: **1/4 page: \$15; 1/2 page: \$30; Full page: \$45.** Please contact Jo Willis, Membership Chair, at cell phone (858) 204-8603 or jowillis91919@gmail.com

To indicate your Interest Group preferences, please complete the chart below:

Interest Groups	I am Participating Now	I Want to Join	I Want to Substitute	I Need Training
Book Club				
Bridge				
Bunco				
Canasta				
Hand & Foot				
Mah-Jongg				
Mexican Train				
Poker				

Suggestion for new Interest Groups: _____

Other Suggestions: _____