

BUENA BRIEFS

January 2024



Member of General Federated Women's Club &
California Federation of Women's Club
SAN BUENAVENTURA WOMEN'S CLUB
MEETS THE 2ND TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH
September - May

Shirley Lorraine, President

President's Message -

2023 ended so well for us due to your help. The Tea was a rousing success – Many, many thanks to Rosemary Wilde, Magda Nordahl, Shelley Johnson, Ingrid Mackey and all the fabulous volunteers who stepped in to help out. You are all a blessing to our club.

We ended the year with a full bank account. The final count on the Tea has yet to come in, but it promises a healthy return.

We received \$820 from our year-long efforts at Fun Dough. Thank you to Cosima VanBuskirk, who keeps track of our receipts and attendance.

We received a \$1000 anonymous donation. Thank you!!

We received a \$5000 grant from California Wellness Foundation. Many thanks to Joan Jayasinghe's niece, Rochelle Witharana, Cal Wellness CFO,, for orchestrating this lovely gesture.

Your incredible generosity to the City Center yielded 2 car trunks' full of toys, games, books, clothing and cookies. These were delivered December 12, following our tea. Pastor Jim Duran and Rick and Michelle were on hand to receive the bounty. Thank you for making us look so good!

Sadly, the Step Up Ventura program had to close its doors on December 31, so all the books that were gathered for that preschool/kindergarten project were instead given to the children at City Center. Glad they were able to go to good use!

After seven years of providing counseling and school transition services to children either experiencing or coming out of homelessness, Step Up was unable to continue due to a lack of qualified volunteers and funding. We feel their pain but we're glad to help while we could.

Happy New Year to one and all! It's always nice to get a brand new start. May 2024 be our best yet.

January Meeting

Lunch is served at 12:00 Noon

The menu is:

Cheese or Chicken Enchiladas with Rancho Sauce
Spanish Rice & Refried Beans
Fancy Green Bean Salad
Tortillas
Dessert du Jour



Reservations are due by January 5th. Lunch is \$25.

Please RSVP to Terri Davis 805-320-2702 or **ZELLE**

Our Program is **Reins of Hope**, an equine therapy program.

January Birthdays



Cheryl Peay
Doris Maclaren
Sandy LaRosa
Susan Morris
Lesley Cox

Gwen Cornell
Rosemary Wilde
Sharon Bacon
Janet Flickinger
Hazel Clymer

Tierra Adorada District

The next meeting is January 23rd, at Alpha Literary & Improvement Club in Lompoc. The program is Animal Tracks.

Reservations are due by January 12th to Mary Harrison.

Lunch is \$32.

Our Reciprocity Tea



It's Time for the Coming Year



With the coming year, we need to plan for 2024 Board elections. We will soon be planning for the election of a new Board of Directors. The Nomination Committee will be meeting in January. They are working to develop a Board that will take our organization into the future. Rosemary Wilde is chairing the Nomination Committee. If you get a call from the committee, please review our bylaws as to what the position duties are and consider joining our Board. Also, we will need Chairs for the various Community Service Programs, Standing Committees, Communications & Social Media and General Chairs. Please think about where your interests lie and what programs that you want to be a part of.

Our wonderful yearbook editor, Amy Herron, has earned a break. She's been doing a fabulous job for a number of years and will be available to advise/train/consult with whomever would like to take this on. It can be one or several members. The yearbook is put together following elections and through the summer but we'd love to start earlier with the process. Please let us know if you are interested!

Lastly, it is time to submit reports to California Federation of Women and the General Federation. These reports are a compilation of the many volunteer services that you have given to our organization and community. Our First Vice President, Jennifer Enoch, will coordinate this process.



The report is a narrative of what our club has done in the areas of membership, arts and culture, education, ecology, leadership, domestic violence awareness, fundraising, health & wellness, legislation and women's history.

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This information come from the hours sheets that you have turned in over the past year! Chair should write up a short narrative about their category and how the club has benefited from the activities in that area. We must turn in our forms by January 15, 2024 to Tierra Adorada District! That means that First Vice President Jennifer Enoch needs them prior to that date so she can forward them. Upon completion, Jennifer will have them available for us to review. These are a picture of all the hard work that all of our members have done throughout the year.

We have had many discussions about the hours sheets and reports over the course of this year. Now we must look forward to next year. Going forward we need plan for 2024. We need each of you to:

Annual Report



- Submit your information monthly on the current hours sheet that was reformatted in early 2023, to match reporting requirements.



- Be descriptive of what you did in each of the categories, please do not just list a group of hours or money without a descriptive of the activity. We need description for the District so that we can get credit for your hard work.



- We are very good at doing individual activities that benefit the club and community, but going forward we need to develop Community Service Projects that make a valued contribution to our communities. In the past we have done many of these, but with COVID we limited our group activities. Among the projects that we have done are making blankets for a new homeless shelter and the local animal services kennel, Sent packages and cards to our veterans away in service, and the biggest was the building of Poinsettia Pavilion. As a group we have many ideas and skills to execute substantial projects. If you have ideas that we can consider, please let Jennifer know and we will talk with the organization about the potential and groups interest.!

THANK YOU VETERANS



SECTIONS

BUNKO

January is Dark
Dudley House
197 North Ashwood Avenue
Contact Ariel Cottrell

GARDIN OF EATIN

Tuesday, January 19th,
at 11:30
The Cheesecake Factory
600 Town Center Drive
Hostess is Janet Flickinger
Please call Janet
for Reservations

EVENING SECTION

Thursday January 18th
at 7:00 PM
Hostess needed,
please contact Terri Davis

CANASTA

Friday January 19th, 12:30
Poinsettia Pavilion
3451 Foothill Road
Contact Joan Jayasinghe

EPSILON SIGMA OMICRON BOOK CLUB

Wednesday January 10th, at 12:30
Meeting at 7924 Emerald Street
Contact Joyce Opjorden

We are currently
reading **Exodus** by
Leon Uris Books 3 - 5

SCRABBLE

Thursday, January 10th, at 1:00 PM
Ventura County Estates Club
House 10685 Blackburn Place
Contact Hostess Sonia Demeter

FUN-DOUGH

Friday January 12th at 9:30
Grace Bible Church
936 West Fifth Street Oxnard, CA
Contact Cosima VanBuskirk

Upon arrival sign in as a *SBWC Member!*

Make sure you wear BLUE

Shop for Fun Dough Sponsors:

Beautycounter, Emily Velasco 1-619-886-4430

Creative Memories – Rita Trejo (805) 512-1384

Cindy O'Donnell, certified Hypnotherapist, (805) 368-0342

Darlene's Handbags & Accessories – Darlene McKinzie (805) 889-7319

Equity Management – Richard Sulc (805) 208-9663 or Tyler Tran (626) 616-0588

Green Thumb Nursery Ventura – Dave Nichols (805) 642-8517

Healing Massages by Sally – (805) 444-3878

Home Helpers – Leigha Heath (805) 807-3137

Marie Callendar Restaurant – Camarillo only (805)987-5580

Open Mortgage – Carlos Camargo (805) 985-2808 or (818) 324-3802

Pampered Chef – Vera Lynn (805) 760-8412

State Farm Insurance – Paulina Garcia (805) 553-0355

Sunder Energy – Marcus Chase 1-541-514-1153

Worthy Plumbing – Fred Worth (805) 758-0319

If you patronize any of the above vendors please give Cosima the receipts!

Community Donations

The Veteran's Home Holiday Gifts



City Center Christmas



FunD-Dough December Meeting



The Evening Section Christmas Party



***Hope Everyone Had
a Very Happy Holiday Season!***

***2024 Health and Happiness to
All SBWC Members!!!***

Complete Form and bring to Meeting on Jan. 9th or E-Mail to Jennifer Enoch

San Buenaventura Women's Club Volunteer Hours & Donation Sheet

Name: _____ Month/Year: _____ Revised 2/6/2023 J.E.

Activities *Instructions for completion sheet attached	Volunteer Hours	Dollars Donated/ Raised	In-Kind Donation	Dollars Spent
Advocates for Children				
Arts & Culture				
Civic Engagement and Outreach				
Communication & Public Relations				
Domestic & Sexual Violence Awareness & Prevention				
Education & Libraries				
Environment				
Fundraising & Development				
Health & Wellness				
Leadership				
Legislation/Public Policy				
Membership				
Women's Health & Resource Center				
Epsilon Sigma Omicron (ESO) (Must be an ESO registered member for this section.)	Reading hours: Names of books read:			