

A newsletter
of activities,
travel and
tours, events,
and valuable
information
for Peninsula
Seniors



PENINSULA SENIORS
Connections
make life fun!

We ♥ You, Our Supportive Members

Heartfelt thanks to everyone who contributed to our 2024 year-end appeal. We love that you responded to the call and generously contributed to further programs and activities for 2025.

As a non-profit organization, your gifts throughout the year sustain our programs and help us find bigger and better ways to serve our members. We hear you and want to provide more avenues for community, learning, and connection. As a volunteer organization, we need you, your time, talents, and interaction.

February is the month of love, and our generous

members are at the very heart of Peninsula Seniors.

Enjoy coming to Peninsula Seniors for a social and educational outlet? Consider

*Our generous members
are the heart
of Peninsula Seniors.*

spreading the Peninsula Seniors love this month by giving a membership gift to someone you love, a family member of any age, a neighbor, or an acquaintance who needs social interaction. Your gift can brighten a life and bring them into our senior

community. It starts with bringing a new person to see what we're all about.

During this month of love, give a gift today, as every contribution makes a difference. Here's to another year of learning, laughter, connection, and *making life fun!*

You'll find a list of our 2024 year-end appeal donors on page 10.

Looking for our tour and travel page? As of this issue, it's now integrated with our activities, which you'll find on pages 7-9.

PENINSULA SENIORS MISSION AND VISION

Our mission is to offer activities and services that enhance and enrich the lives of senior adults on the Palos Verdes Peninsula and in the surrounding community.

Our vision is to provide opportunities for Peninsula Seniors to be the most active, educated, and healthy in California.

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Minute With Margie

We ♥ you, and we know you ♥ us!

Thank you for showing your love. A great big THANK YOU to everyone who stepped up and supported the Peninsula Seniors' Year-End Appeal. We have a wonderful, generous community! Every gift, no matter the size, is meaningful to us and important to the organization.

Basic membership dues alone do not provide enough income to keep our doors open. That's why your donations throughout the year are needed to sustain us.

"I have found that if you love life, life will love you back."
—Arthur Rubinstein

This year will be a great year to upgrade your membership, make a mid-year donation, and bring a friend to *make life fun!*

Starting with this edition of Connections, we are including a QR code that will take you directly to the giving page on our website. For more information, see page 10.

With Gratitude,

Margie Beierschmitt
Executive Director

Membership News

for Peninsula Seniors

Peninsula Seniors
**Leave a
Lasting Legacy**

Current Membership: 1,068

New and Returning Members

WE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS who joined us in December.

Phil Adler	Desiree Kitagawa & Christopher Vargas	Jeffrey Naumann
John Bennett & Gillian Hunter	Sachin & Payal Maheshwari	Rose Sarnar
Jeanette Frances		Eric Schwartz
		Robert Wang

THANK YOU to those who renewed their membership in December.

Maria Ashla	Ronald & Mary Keyes	Joan Ortolano
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Becky Clark

PLATINUM (\$600/yr)

Sachin & Payal
Maheshwari
Frank Sternat

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Hal & Elena Bates
Robert Day & Sally
Kinsey
Vidya & Dhana Kaushik
Jim & Carolyn Kelly
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Joseph Scollo

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Above & Beyond

Thanks to those who made gifts of \$100 or more to Peninsula Seniors' operations in December.

Anonymous (x 2) Mary Graff Karen Olson Carlos & Teresa Rosales

Bequests Are For Everyone

BENEFITS OF BEQUESTS:

- Bequests require no donation during your lifetime.
- You can change your mind if your circumstances change.
- Bequests are welcome in any amount.
- You can leave money to your loved ones and Peninsula Seniors by specifying percentages to go to each.

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for Peninsula Seniors

Show your personalized Peninsula Seniors membership card to receive a Hot Deal. For details about these offers, pick up a flyer at the Scriba Family Center, visit pvseniors.org, or call the merchants.

Alltech of Lomita, Inc.

(310) 539-2260 10% off notebook and computer repair.

Belle Epoque (310) 316-4302

Redondo Beach. Cup of French onion soup or plantain chips and dip w/lunch or dinner.

Big Island Eats & Shave Ice

(310) 265-8194 Free tea w/\$10 purchase or more.

Café Bonaparte in Redondo Beach.

(424) 247-9456 10% discount.

Caring Angels Home Care **NEW!**

609 Deep Valley Dr., RHE (310) 801-7370
First 4-hour shift free; 15% off all services.

Chado Tea Room

1303 El Prado Ave., Torrance
(424) 757-5222 15% off any purchase.

UPDATED! Chamber Orchestra of the South Bay. 4 pm, Saturday, March 14, at Riviera United Methodist Church \$20 for one ticket, regularly priced \$59. Email cosb.mail@gmail.com, or call Hector at (310) 502-9934 or Ron at (310) 408-1958. More info at MyCOSB.org.

CMS Design Portraiture

(310) 373 5450 Free sitting (\$150 value).
10% off orders.

Contessa Home Care

(323) 247-6065 Discounts on packages.
12 hrs/day min.

Courtesy Cleaners

(310) 541-7081 10% off dry cleaning orders over \$10.

Crème de la Crêpe (310) 541-0001

One dessert crepe with purchase.

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Promenade #141A. (310) 750-6225
\$10 Pizza, \$5 Beer, \$10 Wine

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Discount on detailing cars, SUVs, trucks.

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15% off floral arrangements; delivery.

Fred Astaire Dance Studios

(310) 316-5800 15% off Beginners Pkg.

Fuego Cravings

(310) 377-0672 20% off any dine-in or carry-out order. Ground floor, Promenade.

Game Chest (310) 377-1193

15% off. Not valid w/other discounts, coupons, specials, or clearance items.

gingi.com 15% off select items w/code PVSENIORS on gingi.com and at Gingi events.

Giorgio's (310) 541-2600. One tiramisu dessert per table at lunchtime.

Golden Cove Pharmacy

(310) 750-6082 10%–15% off.

*Restrictions may apply

The Grand Emporium

(310) 514-8429 20% off any purchase.

Hillside Auto Repair (310) 373-7676

10% off parts and labor on service up to \$250. Free car wash with any service.

Kabab Curry of India

(310) 539-0171 Free drink or 20% off lunch buffet. \$5 corkage waived on wine.

Kelly's Korner (310) 541-2234

Free cookie or chips with sandwich purchase.

Kim's BBQ (310) 701-4138

10% off Monday through Thursday.

Joey Komada, Licensed Acupuncturist & Herbalist

(310) 617-6354 15% off first treatment; 10% off subsequent treatments.

The Little Oliva **NEW!**

700 Deep Valley Drive, RHE (310) 833-1313
10% off Mon, Wed, and Thurs

Lunada Market & Deli

(424) 206-2880 10% off on Tuesdays.

Massage Smith LLC (562) 528-0558

20% off products and services.

Mayer's Bakery (310) 377-7846

15% off purchases over \$10.

Nantucket Crossing (310) 377-7201

10% off selected items on Tuesdays.

Oil Stop (310) 373-6399

Drive-through oil change: \$15 off. Coupon code PS602.

Oui Beach (310) 540-1200

Beach-chic gifts and home decor. 15% off.

Outdoor Dog Photography

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Peninsula Physical Therapy

(310) 544-6264 \$75/hr for physical assessment. \$100/mo for wellness pgm.

Power Rooter & Plumbing Inc.

prpcustomerservice@gmail.com

(310) 618-9107 15% off labor.

**HOT DEALS
HOT TIP:**

Keep your membership card and Hot Deals list in your car.

PV Coin Exchange

2762 Via Tejon, PVE (310) 750-6951. Turn your coins into cash, no transaction fee.

SAGA Made in Italy (562) 336-0216

15% discount on SAGA Made in Italy ladies wear; 10% discount on everything else.

Salon Vivace (310) 370-7007

20% off consultation, cut, shampoo, and style with select stylists.

Sepi Lackpour, Ph.D., L.Ac.

Acupuncture & Herbal Holistic

Care (310) 265-9588 15% off first treatment; 10% off subsequent treatments.

South Bay Hearing (310) 375-6161

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#2: Complimentary entrée on your birthday.

Valid M–Th excl. holidays; excl. alcohol.

Free valet parking. Subject to change.

Truelement Massage

(424) 235-8785. 20% off every visit.

Truxton's (310) 373-8790

15% off 3–5 pm; 10% off other times.

Vee Wesson Design Visions

(310) 213-4055 Free 2 hr initial home design consult. 5% off one room design.

NEW ADDRESS! Village Shoe

Repair 898 Silver Spur, RHE

(310) 541-9410 10% off repairs.

What's Cookin' Cookware

& Gifts (310) 704-6667 15% off

purchases.

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Every Step of the Way**

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Peninsula Seniors

Calendar For February 2025

MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI
<p>3 Mahjong, 10–12 Meet & Greet, 10–12 French Conversation, 12:30 Rummikub, 1–3 Conversational Spanish, 2 Intermediate Modern Line Dance, 3:30 90+ Club, 3–4</p>	<p>4 Ping-Pong, 9–11 Fitness Fun w/Beverly (\$) 11 Conversational Japanese 1:30–3 Writers' Group, 1:30–3</p>	<p>5 PV Walkers, 9, PP Bohannon Lecture: "Shot Down. The True Story." 10:15 coffee, 10:30 lecture Pen Vets, 11:45 Mahjong, 1, HP Music Appreciation, 3–4</p>	<p>6 Ping-Pong, 9–11 Fitness Fun w/Beverly (\$) 11 Craft & Chat, 1–3:30 Intermediate Modern Line Dance, 3:30</p>	<p>7 Pre-Super Bowl Hot Dog Tailgate Party, SFC, Noon–2</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
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**Activities are in the
Scriba Family Center (SFC)
unless otherwise noted.**

ABBREVIATIONS

\$=cost to attend an activity PVL=Pen Center PV Library
 HP=Hesse Park RHE=Rolling Hills Estates
 PP=Promenade on the Peninsula SFC=Scriba Family Center

Activities

for Peninsula Seniors

(\$) indicates an additional cost to participate

AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY

BOHANNON LECTURES

Wednesdays at Scriba Family Center
10:15 coffee / 10:30–11:30 lectures

Bring your friends to enjoy a cup of coffee and thought-provoking lectures on a variety of topics, all presented by local personalities.

February 5: “Shot Down. The True Story.” Author Steve Snyder, president of the 306th Bomb Group Historical Association, discusses the World War II experiences of his father, pilot Howard Snyder, and the crew of the B-17 Susan Ruth, resulting in his award-winning book, “Shot Down.”

February 12: “Haunted San Pedro.” Author, historian for Planet Paranormal Investigations, and paranormal researcher Brian Clune retells stories in his book, “Haunted San Pedro,” and in his other paranormal research books about the LA area.

February 19: “Understanding Modern Art, Part 2” Member-instructors Ann and Lee Strong present a lecture on the elements of 20th-century Modern Art. The works of Georgia O’Keeffe, Jackson Pollock, and William de Kooning, and the most important works of the first half of the century, will be highlighted.

February 26: “Museum Battleship Iowa Update.” Capt. Rich Abele, USN (Ret.), senior tour guide on the Battleship Iowa, will present the current status of the ship and plans for the National Museum of the Surface Navy.

For details, call Renée Reymond, program coordinator, at (310) 377-3003.

MEET & GREET

Mondays, 10 am–noon, SFC

Have coffee, make friends, chat, exchange ideas.
Make life fun!

PV WALKERS, Wednesdays, 9 am

Promenade on the Peninsula, south end, level one, across from the nail salon. Stretch, walk the mall, and finish with coffee at the Scriba Family Center. Sponsored by Peninsula Seniors, Promenade on the Peninsula, and Providence Little Company of Mary. For details, call (310) 377-3003.

PEN VETS LUNCH WITH PROGRAM (\$)

Wednesday, February 5

Doors open at 11:45; lunch w/program at noon
Northrop Grumman aerospace engineer Lynn Jenson will examine the critical role of women in the development of the aviation industry.

Everyone, not just vets, is welcome. The \$20 admission includes a sandwich lunch. Pay on arrival.
No walk-ins. RSVP to audrey.goode@gmail.com.

LET’S DO LUNCH (\$)

Friday, February 21, 11:30 am

Truxton’s in Hillside Village, Torrance

\$30 from a select menu. RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

MAHJONG

Mondays, 10 am, SFC

Wednesdays, 1 pm, Hesse Park

FRENCH CONVERSATION (NOT French lessons)

Mondays, 12:30–1:30 pm, SFC

Practice basic French speaking skills in a friendly, social atmosphere.

Behind the Scenes ***at the Scriba Family Center!***

Long-time member with an upgraded membership, **Brooks Vogt**, the “Ideas Guy,” often suggests new activities that members might like and recommends monthly movies that he shares from his private collection.

Brooks regularly plays ping pong, participates in the 90+ Club, and fills in at the front desk. He always says “yes” when asked to help out at our Scriba Family Center.

Thanks, Brooks, for helping *make life fun* for our members with your valued ideas (keep ’em coming!) and support for Peninsula Seniors.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY, *continues*

RUMMIKUB, Mondays, 1–3 pm, SFC

A tile-based game for two to four players with simple rules and free-flowing fun for everyone.

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH (*NOT lessons*)

Mondays, 2 pm, SFC

Practice speaking Spanish in a friendly, social setting.

THE 90+ CLUB, Mondays, 3–4 pm SFC

Members 90 years old + are welcome.

PING-PONG

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9–11 am, SFC

Fridays, 9–noon, SFC.

Come play with us! All skill levels are welcome. No ping-pong on Friday February 7. Instead, join us for the Tailgate Party.

TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, February 25, 10:30 am, PVL

This book club welcomes new members. If you’re interested in joining, call (310) 377-3003.

FITNESS FUN WITH BEVERLY (\$)

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11 am, SFC

Gently sculpt and strengthen your body. For all fitness levels. Taught by Beverly Beatty, certified Advanced Health and Fitness Instructor. \$90 for 3 months.

****buongiorno!***

Interested in learning Italian?

Let us know so we can get a class together.

(310) 377-3003.

(* = good day in English)

Men: Interested in forming a Widowers’ Chat Group?

Call (310) 377-3003 if you’d like to participate

CONVERSATIONAL JAPANESE

Tuesdays, 1:30–3 pm, SFC

Practice basic conversation skills in a social setting, with occasional discussions about Japanese culture and traditions. RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

WRITERS’ GROUP

Tuesdays, 1:30–3 pm, SFC

Budding and seasoned authors write poetry, document travels, or write chapters for their books.

TECH TALKS

Tuesday, February 11, 4–5 pm, SFC

Savvy high school students will help you figure out your iPhone. Sign up for an individual 30-minute appointment at 4 or 4:30. Call (310) 377-3003 to register by the deadline of Friday, February 7.

MUSIC APPRECIATION

Wednesdays, 3–4 pm, SFC or Zoom

Join instructors Ann and Lee Strong as we continue our series on the Golden Age of Broadway musicals, sampling and discussing “The King and I” (1951) and “The Sound of Music” (1959).

THURSDAY BOOK CLUB

Thursday, February 13, 11:30–1:15 pm, PVL

CRAFT AND CHAT

Thursdays, 1–3:30 pm, SFC

Work on your craft while socializing with friends.

AMERICAN MAHJONG

Fridays, 10–noon, SFC

Must have the “Official Standard Hands and Rules.”

Pre-Super Bowl LIX Hot Dog Tailgate Party!

Friday, February 7
12–2 pm, SFC

It's our second annual Pre-Super Bowl Hot Dog Tailgate Party! We'll be grillin' hot dogs on the plaza with chips, beer, sodas, and desserts and eating indoors, watching a famous football movie at 1pm. Celebrate the Super Bowl early before the Big Game. \$25/pp.



Reservations are a must. Call (310) 377-3003. See you there!

**Wine and Cheese and Camaraderie
for Gold- and Silver-Level Members.**
Friday, February 21, 4–6 pm, SFC. By invitation only. RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

BINGO! (\$)

No BINGO this month. Join us for the Tailgate Party!

MOVIE TIME

Friday, February 14, 12:30 pm, SFC

“Love Actually.” Nine intertwined stories examine the complexities of the one emotion that connects us all: LOVE! The ensemble cast stars Hugh Grant, Emma Thompson, Colin Firth, and Keira Knightley. 2003 (2h 14 min) Rated R.

BRIDGE Fridays, 1–3:30 pm, SFC

All skill levels. No Bridge February 7. Join us for the Tailgate Party.

TRIVIA!

Friday, February 21, 1–2:30 pm, SFC

Tease your brain with fun and interesting questions. BYOT: If you have a great question, bring it!

DAY TRIPS

BATTLESHIP USS IOWA MUSEUM (\$)

Coming Soon!

Visit the Battleship of Presidents, a wonderful example of military history. Tour the ship and enjoy a frankfurter at Vicky's Dog House, the only gourmet hot dog café aboard a battleship.

MULTI-DAY TRIPS

COUNTDOWN TO MARDI GRAS (\$)

Tuesday, February 25–Wednesday, March 5

\$3,299/pp double, \$3,899 single, Includes airfare. \$200/pp deposit

Three nights in the French Quarter with tours and grandstand seating at a Pre-Mardi Gras parade. Then glide through the bayou in an airboat, tour Nottoway Plantation, Baton Rouge, and Lafayette.

YOSEMITE (\$)

Tuesday, May 6–Thursday, May 8

\$899/pp double \$1,199 single, \$200 pp deposit
Spend two nights at Chukchansi Gold Resort Casino. Yosemite sightseeing includes a two-hour tram tour of the valley. Return home via Amtrak train from Fresno to Bakersfield and deluxe motorcoach.

NEW ENGLAND FALL FOLIAGE AND PUMPKIN FESTIVAL (\$)

Wednesday, October 8– Tuesday, October 14

\$4,299/pp double, \$ 5,499 single Includes air fare. \$200pp deposit

Tour Boston, Montpelier, Vermont, and Coastal Portland, Maine. Visit Ben and Jerry's Factory, a cider mill and the Bar Hill Distillery. View the stunning array of colors in the New England fall foliage.

FOR TRIP DETAILS, call (310) 377-3003. Leave your name, phone, and the trip that interests you.

CANCELLATION POLICY. If you cancel, Peninsula Seniors will try to sell your space. If your space is filled, the trip cost will be refunded to you, less a \$5 processing fee. If the space cannot be filled no refund can be made, regardless of the reason for cancellation, including medical-related excuses and emergencies. Thank you for your understanding.

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Peninsula Seniors Holiday Luncheon *made life fun!*



Seen at our festive party at the Original Red Onion Restaurant were, from the left:

1. Lynn Boyd , Barbara Rock, Stella Schiewe, and Jeanette Betts.
2. Judy Foster and Kathy McCarthy.
3. Jo Anne Weber and Marie Beausoleil.
4. Sandy Barnett.
5. Jenny Verek and Diana Hosken.

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Pauline Beecroft: Nurse, Editor, and the Organizer of Our Tuesday Book Club



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When too many readers expressed interest in joining our Thursday Book Club, Pauline

Beecroft stepped up to organize a second book club so everyone who wanted to share the joy of reading could be accommodated. Thus, the Tuesday Book Club was born.

"It's a great group of people," she says. "Together, we decide what to read. There's a room for us at Pen Center library, where we meet. It's easy to find, and there's ample parking nearby. We have space for a few more people, so join us!"

When asked about her favorite genre, Pauline will unhesitatingly reply, "mysteries." And she not only enjoys reading mysteries, but her life reflects her love of mysteries: heeding clues to solve riddles and assiduously searching for answers to puzzling questions.

Genealogy is her passionate hobby. "Uncountable mysteries abound, and they'll never all be solved," she says.

In her professional life, this nurse with a PhD was a researcher and member of the institutional review board at Children's Hospital Los Angeles. In 1986, she was the founding editor of the national "Clinical Nurse Specialist: The Journal for Advanced Nursing

Practice," the first and only peer-reviewed journal dedicated to the role and practice of the clinical nurse specialist.

This native of Yorkshire, England, and PV resident for 25+ years joined Peninsula Seniors when she attended the annual street fair sponsored by the PVP Chamber of Commerce. "The Seniors' booth was near Starbucks," she says, "and the activities looked interesting. I joined that very day." In addition to the book club, she especially enjoys the Bohannon Lectures.

Thanks, Pauline, for loving books, the written word, and mysteries. To join the Tuesday Book Club, call our front desk at (310) 377-3003.