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





Connections make life fun!

Let's Make Membership Numbers Soar in 2024!

A new year brings new opportunities. Peninsula Seniors is planning a full schedule of programs and activities, including three membership-wide signature events.

Let's share the love for our organization this year with our friends, families, and neighbors. They might need a little boost to visit the Scriba Family Center. Invite them to a Bohannon or Music Appreciation lecture, a signature event like our annual taco party, bingo, bridge, or a day trip.

Our goal is strong growth in our membership numbers and

increased giving in the new year. While our membership was up slightly in 2023, the percentage of members giving additional

Encourage your family, friends, and neighbors to participate in our programs, activities, and events that can make life fun and more meaningful.

donations has decreased as costs go up, affecting our budget and the programs we can offer.

So much love, support, and good things are happening here among the members of Peninsula

Seniors. Community members who are generally staying home need our encouragement to take that first step to participate in our programs, activities, and events that *make life fun* and more meaningful. Your help bringing in new members and increasing donations for 2024 is greatly appreciated.

Holiday feast pictured above. Ping-Pong players partied with delicious foods and friendly rivals and partners. Because the photo of the 22 players attending was too wide for the photo frame, sincere apologies are sent to the six unable to be included here. This fun game is well-attended three days each week at Peninsula Seniors, and players have become good friends.

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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Spectacular!



Approximately 150 members and guests joined us this week for our annual Holiday Open House, honoring our 40th anniversary. We celebrated with an impressive assortment of festive and delicious

cookies provided by our friends at Ivy Park, Merrill Gardens, Peninsula Pointe, and Mayer's Bakery. And special thanks to sponsor Terry McGovern of A Peaceful Way Home Care for his perpetual "first-in" support of our signature events.

One party-goer said of the event, "Spectacular!"

Did all these people come out for a cookie? I don't think so! People are so happy to be together again and are grateful to have an opportunity to see and visit with their friends. Peninsula Seniors is a social club. Your social club. A great reason to get out of the house and *make life fun.*

Make plans to join us in 2024 at the beautiful Scriba Family Center, where magic happens. Be part of the magic!

With gratitude,

Margie Beierschmitt Executive Director

Membership News for Peninsula Seniors

New and Returning Members

WE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS who joined us in November.

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THANK YOU to those who renewed their membership in November.

Helen Barnes Eric Baum Robert & Jennifer Boudreau Malin Dollinger Traude Gitter Rae Grieco Leila Jennings Ronald & Mary Keyes Dorothy Laird Mary Leedy Marion Levander Caroline Maize-Schwartz

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Membership Honor Roll

GOLD (\$400/yr) Susan Von Nordenflycht

SILVER (\$250/yr) Craig & Kathryn Lee Jarel & Betty Wheaton

Above & Beyond

Thanks to those who made gifts of \$100 or more to Peninsula Seniors' operations in November. Anil & Madhvi Aggarwal Dorothy Laird Lawrence Moreau Bob & Linda Ralls Frederick Simmons Greg & Liz Sparkman Peninsula Seniors Leave a Lasting Legacy

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 current information about these merchants, including phone numbers and addresses, come in to the Scriba Family Center to pick up a detailed flyer, or visit our website: pyseniors.org.

Alltech of Lomita, Inc.

2018 W. Lomita Blvd #1, Lomita (310) 539-2260 10% off notebook and computer repair in your home.

Big Island Eats & Shave Ice Free tea w/\$10 purchase or more.

CMS Design Portraiture Free session fee (\$150 value); 10% off orders, plus 10% off orders placed at first preview viewing.

Contessa Home Care Discounts on Basic-, Deluxe-, and Premium-packages. 12 hours/day minimum. (323) 247-6065. noraferguson@contessahc.com

Courtesy Cleaners 10% off dry cleaning orders over \$10.

Crème de la Crêpe One dessert crepe with purchase.

Dragonfly Thai 10% off all purchases.

El Pollo Inka With any purchase, 15% off lunch or dinner, complimentary lunch or dinner on your birthday.

Elegance Automotive Restoration Auto detailing: \$65 2-dr sports car; \$75 4-dr car; \$85 SUV/truck.

Floral 101 5% off floral arrangement; free delivery up to 6 miles from shop on purchases of \$70 or more.

Fred Astaire Dance Studios

10% off Beginners Pkg of 4 private and 2 group lessons, 2 parties.

gingi.com 15% off Gingi jewelry, paintings, note-cards, beauty, and lifestyle products w/code PVSENIORS on gingi.com and at all Gingi art events.

Giorgio's One tiramisu dessert/table at lunchtime.

Golden Cove Pharmacy 10% off medical supplies, over-the counter, and pro-grade supplements. 15% off pro-grade supplements on last day of the month. *Restrictions may apply.

The Grand Emporium 20% off any purchase.

Hillside Auto Repair 10% off parts and labor on any service up to \$250. Free 30-point vehicle inspection

and free car wash with any service.

Kelly's Korner Free cookie or chips with sandwich purchase.

Kim's BBQ 10% off Monday through Thursday.

Joey Komada, Licensed Acupuncturist & Herbalist

15% off first treatment; 10% off subsequent treatments.

Lunada Market & Deli 10% off Tuesdays.

Massage Smith LLC

20% off products and services.

Mayer's Bakery

15% off purchases over \$10.

Oil Stop Drive-through oil change: \$15 off. Coupon code PS602. 4100 Sepulveda Blvd (at Ocean), Torrance.

Outdoor Dog Photography

NEW! 10% discount on the Mini-Package, a \$265 value. (310) 818-1764

Peninsula Physical Therapy. \$75/hr. (\$50 discount). \$100/mo. (\$25 discount) wellness program.

Power Rooter & Plumbing Inc.

15% off labor. prpcustomerservice@gmail. com.

Ruby's Diner PV 10% off entire bill! Not valid with other discounts, coupons, specials, fundraisers.

SAGA Made in Italy

15% discount on SAGA Made in Italy clothing line; 10% discount on everything else.

Salon Vivace 20% off hair cut, includes hair consultation, shampoo, cut, and style with select stylists.

Seashore Fur Babies NEW!

229 Ave. I, #101, Redondo Beach 15% off regular-priced items. Free pupcake on your fur baby's birthday.



HOT DEALS HOT TIP:

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

Sepi Lackpour, Ph.D., L.Ac. Acupuncture & Herbal Holistic Care 15% off first treatment; 10% off subsequent treatments.

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South Bay Hearing

3734 Sepulveda Blvd., Torrance (310) 803-9468 FREE clean and check of your hearing aids; \$250 off new pair of AGX 9,7, or five hearing devices. Comp hearing aid consultations available.

Still Got It Fitness

25% off first month any membership; 10% off all succeeding months.

Truelement Massage UPDATED!

23706 Crenshaw Blvd.,#101B, Torrance, 1truelement.com, (424) 235-8785. Offer: 20% off every visit.

Truxton's 15% off 3–5 pm; 10% off other times.

Vee Wesson Design Visions (310) 213-4055 Remodeling? Free 1–2 hours initial home design consultation. 5% off computer-generated design for one room or subject.

Village Shoe Repair 10% off repairs.

What's Cookin' Cookware & Gifts Del Amo Mall, #328-A, Torrance. 15% off purchases.

As of 12/8/23. Offers subject to change without notice. More Hot Deals coming soon!



PIZZA WITH A

Show this flyer or mention Peninsula Seniors when visiting California Pizza Kitchen and CPK will DONATE 20% OF ALL FOOD & BEVERAGE SALES on your check to the organization.

Purchases include dine-in, take-out, catering, and online orders at <u>CPK.com</u> when you

enter BACK20% at checkout.

Offer good all day only on Tuesday, January 23 at CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN 25306 Crenshaw Blvd., Torrance <u>cpk0221@cpk.com</u>

Fundraiser valid only on the date(s) and at the CPK location(s) identified on this flyer. Only 501c organizations and non-profit schools are eligible to participate in CPK's fundraiser program. CPK will donate 20% (therwty percent) of all food and beverage sales to the organization. Tax, gratuity, gift card and retail sales are excluded from the donation. Valid for dine-in, takeout, online, catering, curbside or delivery orders placed directly with CPK. Not valid for orders placed or fulfilled through third-party delivery. Void if flyer is distributed in or near restaurant. For more information about the 501c organization participating in the fundraiser, please contact the organization directly. Not valid at franchise locations in Guam, stadium, university, international, airport locations, or the Grand Sierra Resort and Casino.



Day Coach Trips and Multi-Day Tours make life fun!

WHEN YOU TRAVEL WITH PENINSULA SENIORS

• Sign up early for cruises and multi-day tours and trips. Group events are finalized 45 to 60 days before the trip.

• Tips are not included. \$3-\$5/ day is the average tip for bus driver and tour director.

• Trip brochures and flyers are in the Peninsula Seniors office.

• Call (310) 377-3003 for trip details. Leave your name, phone, and the trip that interests you.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If you must cancel, Peninsula Seniors will try, but cannot guarantee, your space will be sold. 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.

DAY TRIPS

We're working hard to schedule these excursions for you in early 2024:

• **SATURDAY, MARCH 16** We're on the waiting list for the luncheon theater featuring Irish music and dance on St. Patrick's Day.

• THURSDAY, APRIL 4

We've applied for the Senior Dress Rehearsal of La Traviata.

• APRIL OR MAY

The new Wheel of Fortune taping is on our bucket list, so you can be among the first to see the new host.

Check your email and the next Connections for updates.

MULTI-DAY TRIPS

BALLOON FESTIVAL/ LAKE HAVASU, LAUGHLIN Thurs Jan 18–Sun Jan 21

\$799pp dbl / \$989 single Make checks payable to Friendly Excursions.

VIP with lunch for the morning Mass Ascension; VIP with dinner for the night glow. Travel Route 66 to Kingman and Oatman. Three nights at Laughlin's Aquarius Casino.

COUNT DOWN TO MARDI GRAS, NEW ORLEANS AND CAJUN COUNTRY Tues Feb 6-Sun Feb 11

\$2,699pp dbl / \$3,299 single (includes airfare). Full payment due when signing up.

Attend the pre-Mardi-Gras Parade (reserved seating), tour New Orleans (walking in the French Quarter), Lafayette, and Baton Rouge. Ride a bayou riverboat and visit Nottoway Plantation.

HAWAIIAN ISLANDS CRUISE

Sat March 16–Sun March 31

Interior pp double from \$1,374. Balcony pp double from \$2,349. 10% deposit refundable until final payment due.

Sail aboard the *Discovery Princess* to Honolulu, Maui, Kona, Hawaii, and Ensenada, Mexico. Valid passport required. **Peninsula Seniors**

Calendar For January 2024

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Activities for Peninsula Seniors

(\$) indicates there is an additional cost to participate in the program or event.

AVAILABLE TO THE COMMUNITY

BOHANNON LECTURE SERIES Wednesdays at Scriba Family Center 10:15 coffee / 10:30–11:30 am lectures

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

January 3: Inspirational Thoughts for the New

Year. Local inventor, teacher, and entrepreneur Derek Gable shares his ideas for making life fun and more rewarding in 2024. Derek gives many life experiences, attitudes, and perspectives to enhance chances of both success and happiness at any age.

January 10: Consumer Protection & Guidance Against Financial Fraud. Education and Outreach Coordinator Jackie Wiley from the California Dept. of Financial Protection and Innovation, will discuss safeguards against financial frauds, shopping scams, risks in the marketplace, and how to protect your personal data.

January 17: Astronomical Research. Jeff Rich, astronomer and outreach coordinator at Observatories of the Carnegie Institute for Science, will discuss his work studying the galaxies of the nearby universe.

January 24: Self-Defense for Seniors. Brian Rauchbach, from Elite Mixed Martial Arts Training Center, will give tips on practical self-defense and safety tactics for seniors and all ages.



January 31: Rolling Hills Estates Issues Update. RHE City Manager Greg Grammer will discuss 2024 city issues issues and upcoming community events.

For more information about the Bohannon Lectures, contact Renée Reymond at Peninsula Seniors, (310) 377-3003.

MEET & GREET

Mondays, 10 am-noon, SFC Have coffee, make new friends, chat, exchange ideas, and *make life fun!*

PV WALKERS Wednesdays, 9 am Promenade on the Peninsula, south end, level one, across from the nail salon.

Get moving! Start by stretching, followed by walking in the mall at your own pace. Earn a raffle ticket each week you attend, and track your walking to win prizes! Post exercises, walkers are invited for coffee at the Peninsula Seniors Scriba Family Center. For details, call Peninsula Seniors at (310) 377-3003.

PEN VETS LUNCH (\$)

Wednesday, January 3, SFC

Doors open at 11:45; lunch w/program at noon Join us to learn about NASA's Artemis 1 Mission, presented by astronautical engineer William Whittenbury. Get an in-depth look at the design and development of this space launch system and discover what's next in this exploration program.

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

Pictured above with their newly crafted holiday wreaths are: **1.** Jennifer Weintraub and **2.** Phyllis Pelezzare, left, with Elyse Kukonu.

LET'S DO LUNCH (\$)

Friday, January 19, 11:30 am Black Bear Diner, Torrance RSVP (310) 377-3003.

FOR MEMBERS ONLY

MAHJONG

Mondays, 10 am, SFC Wednesdays, 1 pm, Hesse Park.

RUMMIKUB

Mondays, 1:30-3:30 pm, SFC

Similar to rummy card games, Rummikub is a tilebased game for two to four players. The rules are simple, with free-flowing fun for everyone! RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

CONVERSATIONAL SPANISH CAFÉ Y CONVERSACIÓN

Mondays, 1:45 pm, SFC

Improve your conversational Spanish skills. Practice basic speaking and listening skills in a friendly and social atmosphere. RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

THE "90 & MORE" CLUB Mondays, January 8 and 22 3–4 pm SFC

Our new club for members 90 years old and older has been well-received. Initial attendees decided to meet on alternate Mondays, 3–4 pm, at the Scriba Family Center. Anyone 90 years and older is welcome to participate. For more information and to RSVP, call (310) 377-3033.

PING-PONG

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 9–11 am, SFC Fridays, 9–noon, SFC Come play with us! All skill levels are welcome.

TUESDAY BOOK CLUB

Tuesday, January 23, 10:30 am, SFC (This new book club is full. If you're interested in

launching another book club, let us know by calling (310) 377-3003.)

CONVERSATIONAL JAPANESE



Begins Tuesday, January 9, 1:30–3 pm, SFC Learn basic conversation skills in a social setting with instructor Ryoji. Join in the fun on the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month. RSVP to (310) 377-3003.

FITNESS FUN WITH BEVERLY (\$)

Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11 am, SFC Join this fun fitness class designed to provide gentle toning for all fitness levels. This session incorporates bands, balls, and weights to help you sculpt and strengthen your body with care. Taught by Beverly Beatty, certified Advanced Health and Fitness Instructor. \$90 for 3 months.

WRITERS' GROUP

Tuesdays, 1:30–3 pm, SFC Budding and seasoned authors write poetry, document travels, or write chapters for their books.

MUSIC APPRECIATION

Wednesdays, 3-4 pm, SFC

On the first two Wednesdays of January, we'll finish our study of music from the Romantic Period of classical music with the music of Peter Tchaikovsky and examining 19th century "Nationalism" in music. For the remaining three Wednesdays, we'll look at the origin and history of American Country Music beginning in the early 1920s and the Grand Ole Opry. We'll conclude with performers like George Strait and Garth Brooks in the '80s.

Join instructors Ann and Lee Strong as we leap from music of the Romantic Period to American Country Music. Attendees: Call (310) 377-3003 to RSVP.

CRAFT AND CHAT

Thursdays, 1-3:30 pm, SFC

Bring your craft to work on while you socialize with friends. Call (310) 377-3003 to register, and tell us what your craft is.

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FOR MEMBERS ONLY, continues

VIRTUAL TECH CLINIC

Thursdays, 5–6 pm, Zoom only



Need help with your digital device? Then this is the clinic for you! Call (310) 377-3003 to register, or email seniors@pvseniors.org.

THURSDAY BOOK CLUB

Thursday, January 11, 11:30-1:15 pm, SFC

AMERICAN MAHJONG!

Fridays, 10–noon, SFC Must have your own "Official Standard Hands and Rules."

BRIDGE Fridays, 1:30–3:30 pm, SFC Must RSVP: (310) 377-3003.

BINGO! (\$) Friday, January 5, 1–2:30 pm, SFC \$2/card. Cash prizes! Must RSVP: (310) 377-3003. Ken Dyda returns to call!!

MOVIE TIME

Friday, January 12, 12:30 pm, SFC "The Monuments Men"

During World War II, a group of art curators, historians, and scholars form a rag-tag team to recover priceless masterpieces stolen by the Nazis. The mission becomes a race against time as the men risk their lives to protect countless pieces of art before Hitler destroys them if the Third Reich falls. 2014 (1hr 58m) PG13

TRIVIA! Friday, January 19 1–2:30 pm, SFC

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

Play Chess at the Scriba Family Center!

Call (310) 377-3003 to let us know you're interested and to register, and we'll share your contact information with other like-minded chess players so mutually convenient play times can be arranged.



Save the date! Pre-Super Bowl Hot Dog Tailgate Party!

Friday, February 9 12–3 pm, SFC

We'll be grilling hot dogs and tailgating on the plaza with chips, beer, sodas, and more, to celebrate the Super Bowl before the Super Bowl game on Sunday, February 11.

Grab a hot dog and drink on the plaza, then come into the Scriba Family Center to see a famous, classic football movie at 1 pm. \$20/pp.





Celebrating Our 40th Anniversary Made Life Fun!



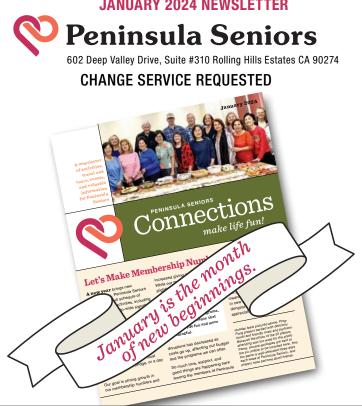


40th Anniversary Open House, December 5, 2023

 Peninsula Seniors Board members Greg Sparkman and Becky Clark.
 Mimi Swift, left, with Stella Schiewe. 3. Peninsula Seniors Program Manager Renée Reymond and Board member Tom Hyatt. 4.Members and guests enjoyed lively discussion. 5. Serena Lager, left, and Angela Rosario. 6. Joe Scollo and Margaret Benson. 7. Peninsula Seniors Executive Director Margie Beierschmitt, left, and Juanita Davis. 8. Flanking Margaret Vanderhulst are John Vanderhulst and Edna Steel. 9. Five friends enjoyed the festivities.



JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



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Elena Bates: "Why I Upgraded My Membership"



Your editor has briefly met Elena Bates at our social events and was delighted to finally have an opportunity to chat with

her about her enthusiasm for Peninsula Seniors.

Tell us why you upgraded your membership this year.

I see all the good Peninsula Seniors provides to the community. There are so many activities, something for everyone. And if you don't see a program you're interested in, you're welcome to start it yourself!

Why and when did you join Peninsula Seniors, and what

keeps you coming back?

joined in 2019. I was looking to meet new friends and try new activities. Some friends were moving away, others dealing with illnesses, and also losing some.

I maintain membership because I enjoy the people involved in Peninsula Seniors. They are friendly and welcoming, so there is much to gain personally.

What activities, programs, and events do you especially

enjoy? I attend the weekly Crafts 'n Chat group, where I've learned many kinds of creative crafts. The ladies are like a family: sharing, encouraging, and laughing together! I also enjoy Music Apprecation (so many different topics and types of music!), and the Bohannon Lectures provide

fascinating insight into so many topics, many presented by local personalities. The Friday movies and day trips are fun, too!

You're a volunteer. In what capacities do you serve?

volunteer for special events, like the Ice Cream Social. Previously, I worked the reception desk on Friday afternoons for a year. I met lots of people and enjoyed helping them and talking about what Peninsula Seniors offers.

Why should other members consider upgrading their membership as you did?

Learning and sharing really does make life fun, but it takes a lot of support to maintain. I want to help ensure Peninsula Seniors continues. I hope all of you feel the same and will contribute!