

*Ready, Set, Shop!***Our 71st Holiday Boutique Opens 9 a.m. Nov. 2**

Our Crafts Group has been working hard all year to create one-of-a-kind items for sale on **Saturday, November 2, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., at La Colonia Community Center, 715 Valley Ave.**

In addition to hand-made tea towels, coasters and quilts, this year's Boutique features a number of antique and collectible items, as well as vintage and contemporary jewelry. There will be

a "sweet and savory" bake sale (I'm sharing my Pumpkin Cookie recipe on page 8) and a chance to chat with friends and neighbors over coffee on the patio. Also, you can order your holiday poinsettia and/or Christmas cactus from the SeaWeeders! (Or mail the form on page 7 with payment.)

A broader sample of Boutique treasures you might snag follows on page 2. As you know, the Boutique is our biggest annual fund-raising event and the primary source for our Scholarship Program, which has awarded \$45,000 to 27 college-bound students over the past 10 years. So when you buy a Boutique gift for yourself or a loved one, you also support deserving local students.

In fact, the Boutique Committee and their holiday sales over the past seven decades have been so important to the Society that we're honoring three recent group leaders at our **December 6 Holiday Luncheon!** Pam Dalton, Lenore Dale and Phyllis Schwartzlose led the effort for over a decade -- including through the online-shop Covid 19 pandemic years. Join us in thanking these "Crafty Women" -- as the San Diego Union Tribune dubbed the original team at its inaugural event in 1953 -- and all who preceded them over the decades. Huge thanks to Kathryn Schmiedeberg and Stephanie Wilde for taking the lead this year to sustain the tradition. Reserve your spot at the luncheon by mailing the form on page 9.



Third graders from the Skyline Elementary School Global Program *walked* to our Heritage Museum on October 17. Thanks to Lori Wolf for playing the role of Grandma Stevens and to my co-presenter Lisa Montes for making traditional Mexican buñuelos to share along with our home-made ice cream. We're also grateful to the teachers and parents who escorted the students on their walk and helped supervise games and treats -- not only does everybody benefit from the exercise, but the Society saves thousands of dollars because we no longer have to rent busses to transport the children. More fun photos follow.

Also, note that the Annual Veterans Day Ceremony is on Monday, November 11th, 11 a.m. to noon at La Colonia Park, 715 Valley Ave in Solana Beach. Highlights will include The Camp Pendleton Young Marines as Color Guard, "Feathers from Heaven" Doves, the Santa Fe Christian School Band, and a special guest speaker. Learn about the Society's role in the Plaza War Memorial and our tribute to fallen heroes on page 4.

***Phew! See you at the Boutique!***

***Jolene Dodson Bogard***

**Sneak Peak!**

# A few of the Unique Items for Sale at our 71st Holiday Boutique



Fun at the Heritage Museum and Dia de los Muertos



**To Evaluate State Propositions  
Follow the Money . . .**

During our Thursday, October 10 member meeting representatives from the League of Women Voters, San Diego chapter, discussed the pros and cons of the 10 propositions on the California ballot and addressed important questions — such as who is funding them.

“Understanding who are the real sponsors and opponents of the measures is key in evaluating them and deciding whether to vote yes or no,” noted presenter Mandy Butler of the League’s Pros and Cons program.

To review the League’s “Pros & Cons” report on these propositions, visit [CAvotes.org](http://CAvotes.org). To review a copy of their presentation to the Society, which includes a summary of proposition sponsors, opponents and their investments in the initiatives, [click here](#).

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- Nominations.....Vacant
- Parliamentarian, Programs.....Carol Childs
- SeaWeeders.....Kathleen Drummond

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Research Historian .....Richard Moore

**Save the Dates!**

**2024 SBC&HS Meetings & Events**

- **Saturday, November 2:** Holiday Boutique at La Colonia Community Center, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- **Friday, December 6:** Holiday Luncheon at Lomas Santa Fe Country Club starting at 11:30 a.m.

## *Vietnam Veterans War Memorial Was Dedicated in 2009*

Years after the Solana Beach City Council approved adding a third memorial to war veterans, area service members who were killed in the Vietnam conflict finally were honored with the installation of a plinth and plaque next to the World War II memorial at the northeast corner of Plaza and Highway 101. More than 100 people, including family and friends of the deceased, attended the dedication of the memorial on March 25, 2009.

The memorial honors Vietnam Veterans Harvey Aiau (1930-1970), Raphael Cruz (1935-1963), Charles Drayton Henricks (1942-1969), Victor "Chief" Lopez (1947-1969), Thomas Mericantante (1949-1968) and Joseph Michael Tworek (1946-1971) -- all of whom left for the war from Solana Beach, where they had either grown up or moved to later in life. The fallen represented all branches of the armed services. All were killed in battles in Vietnam except Tworek, a decorated Army helicopter pilot who returned from the war in 1969 and was assigned to Fort Rucker, Alabama, as an advanced instrument instructor. He was killed in a mid-air night collision during a training mission.

For the dedication of the memorial, Society historian Richard Moore compiled "The Service Eternal", a remembrance of all of the Solana Beach-area servicemen killed in World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War. Short biographies of the six Vietnam, as well as eight World War II veterans, were read during the ceremony.

The dedication was hosted by the City of Solana Beach, the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 5431 and the Civic and Historical Society. But selecting a site for the memorial generated perhaps unexpected controversy. In November 2005, according to press reports, Council had approved -- in a 3-2 vote -- for the memorial to be located at a viewpoint just southwest of the Fletcher Cover Community Center. More than a dozen residents had come to the meeting to express their support for the memorial site, including Society-member Eleanor "Trudy" Disselhorst, who had criss-crossed the country during World War II as a lieutenant with the Army Corps of Nurses. However, others argued that the chosen site was a bit out of the way and would be under-visited.

Attending another Council meeting in February of 2006, World War II-veteran Roy Warden, argued that members of the local VFW preferred to have the additional memorial placed at La Colonia Park, the traditional gathering spot for Memorial and Veterans Day commemorative ceremonies and site of other existing memorials. In the end, it was decided to locate the Vietnam memorial next to another existing World War II memorial which had been relocated from the Plaza center divider during a prior street redesign. Both plinths and plaques sit atop a concrete platform reading "Freedom Is Not Free."



*Historian Richard Moore (right) and WWII veteran Roy Warden proudly stand at the new Memorial where the inscription on the concrete platform below solemnly reminds us that "Freedom Is Not Free"*

***Click here to read or download a copy of the Service Eternal, or email [solanabeachhistory@gmail.com](mailto:solanabeachhistory@gmail.com) to request a printed copy. The 2024 Veterans Day Ceremony is on Monday, November 11th, 11 a.m. to noon at La Colonia Park.***

## *San Diego Sheriffs Celebrate 52 Graduates of the Solana Beach Academia del Alguacil (Sheriff's Academy)*



The La Colonia community came together on October 29 to honor North County Latinos who completed a six-week evening course designed to inform Spanish-first-speaking residents about San Diego County Sheriff's Department services and employment opportunities. Our own Museum Curator Lisa Montes was among the graduates.

The six-week Academy was initiated in 2019 by County Sheriff Kelly A. Martinez as an effort of outreach to recognize that as many of 40% of the citizens the department serves are Spanish speaking, said Community Inclusion Director Edith Sanchez Cruz. The Sheriff's Spanish Academy is a multi-week program in partnership with the San Diego County Office of Education - Migrant Education program. It is designed to help provide equity in educating Spanish-speaking communities about law enforcement procedures and available resources in San Diego County. Academies are offered throughout the County; this was the first to be offered in Solana Beach, although participants came from as far as Fallbrook.

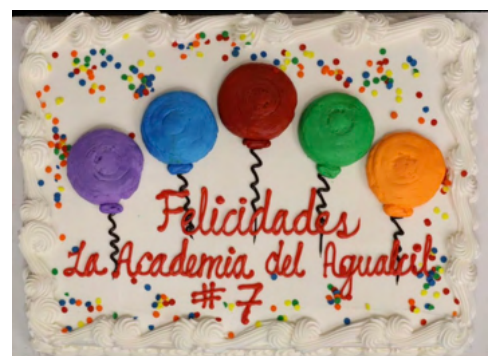
The program is delivered entirely in Spanish, with curriculum based on reoccurring themes and needs that the Sheriff's Office sees and hears, and based on what deputies experience in the communities. Program topics included:

- what to expect during a 911 call
- tips on reporting witnessed crimes
- immigration laws
- what to expect at a traffic stop
- domestic violence
- drugs
- human trafficking
- hate crimes
- gangs

Eighty to 100 participants attended each Solana Beach session, according to Ms. Cruz. To graduate, participants were required to attend all six sessions held at La Colonia Community Center in September and October.

Each graduate was invited to pose for a photo with Sheriff Martinez and program leaders during the graduation ceremony -- many were joined by their proud children. Following was a group photo for all participants (graduates or not) and a career fair for those who might be interested in joining the Sheriff's Department's many divisions. (The crime scene investigation table drew a large crowd.) And to cap the evening, a Sheriff's department helicopter made a landing in La Colonia Park. ([Click here](#) to view the Department's video about the event on social media.)

And then, as is so often a La Colonia tradition, Academy participants prepared a huge potluck dinner to celebrate.





You're Invited to Celebrate with  
The Solana Beach Civic and Historical Society Craft Group

# Holiday Boutique

**Saturday, November 2, 2024**

**9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

La Colonia Park Community Center  
715 Valley Avenue, Solana Beach

## Featuring **HANDMADE CRAFTS & more**

We have a large amount of young children's items,  
quilts for all ages, holiday ornaments & decor, household items,  
wooden bowls, planters, vintage & collectibles,  
distinctive artwork, great gift ideas and Sweet & Savory Baked Goods  
Butterfly Theme 60" x 72" Group Quilt Opportunity Drawing  
SeaWeeders poinsettia pre-orders & Christmas Cactus pre-orders & sales

Proceeds help fund educational scholarships and other SBC&HS civic projects

## "SeaWeeders" 12th Annual Sale

DATE: **SATURDAY, 11/30/24** TIME: **9:00-noon**

LOCATIONS: Post Office and Boys & Girls Club

The Solana Beach Garden Club is offering gorgeous locally grown RED Ecke Prestige Poinsettias in 6" pots for \$13 each and assorted colors of Christmas Cactus in 6" pots for \$10/ea. Proceeds will benefit several ongoing beautification projects in Solana Beach.

### *QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED!!!*

Pre-order your plants **TODAY** using the form below to guarantee availability. Pre-orders can be picked up at the Center for a Healthy Lifestyle cottage behind the Boys & Girls Club at 533 Lomas Santa Fe Dr. on Sat. 11/30 between 9:00 & noon. **This is a one-day only event! Un-reserved poinsettias and cactus will be available at both locations until we sell out.** Thank you for your continued support!

FOR MORE INFO CONTACT KATIE AT 619-991-3119 OR  
PELICANDESIGN@SBCGLOBAL.NET

# Poinsettia Sale

***Holiday Boutiques Raised \$250,000 Over 7 Decades***



It all began in February 1953 with a “Trash & Treasure” sale to raise funds for the newly-founded Solana Beach Women’s Civic Club. The first sale netted \$650. That December, the Club hosted a Christmas Tea and gift sale, launching a tradition that has continued annually — our treasured Holiday Boutique. Over the decades, the event has raised roughly \$250,000 for the Society.

Phyllis Schwartzlose, Pam Dalton, and Lenore Dale have steered the Boutique in recent years -- including the Covid-induced eCommerce era when, nevertheless, sales reached records. The Boutique is the primary fundraising for our Scholarship Program and a beloved community event. That's why we will honor Pam, Lenore and Phyllis at our December 6 Holiday Luncheon. Please join us! (There may still be a few items on sale.)

Please return the form below or visit our website to RSVP online.

**Jojo’s Pumpkin Cookies**

Makes about 3 dozen Cookies

Ingredients:

- 4 cups Flour
- 2 Cups Oats
- 1 1/2 cups Butter (Softened)
- 2 cups Brown Sugar
- 1 16 Oz Can of Pumpkin
- 1 cup Sugar
- 2 tsp Cinnamon
- 2 tsp Baking soda
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp vanilla

Steps:

1. Pre-heat oven to 350 degrees.
2. Mix butter, sugars, egg and spices. Add in pumpkin, oats then flour.
3. Drop spoonfuls of cookie dough on baking sheet.
4. Bake for 20-25 minutes.
5. Let cool and enjoy!

***Save my Seat! SBC&HS 2024 Holiday Luncheon***  
**11:30 a.m. Friday, December 6, Lomas Santa Fe Country Club**

Complete and mail with your check made to **SBC&HS Anniversary Celebration**  
**Don't delay! RSVPs must be received by November 26**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number in party \_\_\_\_\_

Select your entree(s), indicating the number of selected entrees desired

The cost is \$45 per three-course meal, including a salad and dessert

\_\_\_\_\_ **Herb Crusted Sea Bass**, roasted potatoes, grilled asparagus and roasted tomato jus

\_\_\_\_\_ **Braised beef short ribs**, Bordelaise sauce, roasted brussel sprouts and rosemary red potatoes

\_\_\_\_\_ **Butternut squash ravioli**, brown butter cream sauce and crispy spinach

Enclosed is my check for \_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: SBC&HS Holiday Luncheon**

P.O. Box 504

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