

Laguna Woods Democratic Club
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DECEMBER 2018 NEWSLETTER

**Happy
Holidays!**

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“Winter Wonderland”

Get-Together and Sing-Along with “The Village Folk”

DECEMBER 6 (THURSDAY), 2018 at 12:30 p.m., CLUBHOUSE 7

\$5 Members, \$10 Guests, Donation at the Door - Club members and their guests are cordially invited to the annual Holiday Party. Come for great raffle prizes and food - sandwiches, sides, cheese & crackers, chips and dips, cookies, wine, holiday punch...and more!

PLEASE BRING AN UNWRAPPED TOY FOR DONATION TO SOUTH COUNTY OUTREACH. FOR THOSE WITH SO LITTLE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, PLEASE BE GENEROUS.

CATHY AUBERT COLLECTS RECYCLABLE BOTTLES AND CANS, TURNS THEM IN, AND GIVES THE MONEY TO SOUTH COUNTY OUTREACH. PLEASE BRING YOURS TO MEETINGS! THANKS!

**RSVP to Nancy Hensel:
hensel.nancy@gmail.com or 703-964-6993**

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Laguna Woods Democratic Club - Club meetings are held the **second** Wednesday of each month in Clubhouse 3, Dining Room 2, at 7 p.m., except occasionally when a special event preempts a regular meeting; the date or location of any meeting may be changed due to holidays; members free, guests are asked for a \$3 donation at the door. Meeting flyers are posted in each clubhouse at least two weeks prior to every meeting, whether regular or special event. Board of Directors meets the **third** Wednesday of each month in the Community Center at 6:30 p.m. Club members are invited to attend.

2018 Officers and Directors (2019 Officers and Directors will be listed in the February 2019 edition of the newsletter; their election and installation happens at the January 2019 meeting.)

President (Newsletter & Publicity) Linda Nearing, 460-0640; **1st VP** (Program) Susan Dearing, 855-6965; **2nd VP** (Bylaws) Anne Pearson; **Secretary** Allan Feldman; **Treasurer** (Budget) Gary Bennett; **Activism** Janice Burstin; **Campaign & GOTV** Jeanette Peck; **Club Election & Nominating** Maureen Mehler; **Historian** Heide Krueger; **Hospitality** Heather Bennett; **Legislative Action** Jonathan Adler, 581-2178; **Membership** Janet Means; **Outreach/Fundraising** Rebeca Gilad; **Special Events** Nancy Hensel; **Voter Registration** Arline Burgmeier
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SAVE THE DATE

Dec. 6, Thurs. "Winter Wonderland" holiday party; 12:30-3 p.m., CH 7 - Club Members **Sharone Rosen** (right) and **Stan Levin** (middle) are part of The Village Folk - come sing along with them! **RSVP Nancy Hensel 703-964-6993**
PLEASE BRING A TOY FOR SCO!

REPORT ON SOUTH COUNTY OUTREACH

The club has funded the Adopt-a-Family and Support-A-Senior programs for Thanksgiving and year-end holidays. We passed the basket at the October and November meetings and collected over \$600! This has provided our adopted family and adopted senior with a Thanksgiving meal and will provide a year-end holiday meal and presents for all.

For info on this service project and to volunteer for food drives or other activities in the future, contact the club's Service Project Coordinator **Sue Snyder** 714-329-3386: or e-mail her at suesnyder0625@gmail.com

Club member **Cathy Aubert** collects bottles and cans for their CRV value, giving the money she collects to South County Outreach and also to the club. Please bring your empty CRV-recyclable plastics/cans to Cathy at each regular club meeting.

MOST EXCITING NEWS!

Because of the overflow crowds at almost all of our 2018 meetings and events, your board has decided to change venues for 2019. **Beginning in January, the regular meeting place will be Clubhouse Two at 7 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month** (some variations occur due to speaker

scheduling). **There will be NO further meetings in Clubhouse 3, Dining Room 2!**

The Board of Directors will meet on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Clubhouse Two, Grevillea Room.

We hope our new digs make room for even more Dems and friends!

MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to our newest members! **Marcia and Bill Brechtel, June Levinson, Richard O'Meara, Martha Spalding, Jill and Eli Zimmerman.** For questions about the status of your membership, call our Chair **Janet Means** at 760-458-5871 or e-mail her at letterlady@me.com. Use a credit card at <https://tinyurl.com/yd2x47cl> to renew online with ActBlue.

BRILLIANT FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN!

Be sure to attend the club's **Annual Holiday Party on Thursday, December 6, CH 7, 12:30 to 2**, when Outreach/Fundraising Chair **Rebeca Gilad** unveils a brand new fundraising campaign looking toward helping out candidates in 2020!

The party features a sing-along of folk song favorites with **The Village Folk, a trio including LWDC members Stan Levin and Sharone Rosen.**

LWDC Donations to Democratic candidates this year totaled \$12,250 thanks to Rebeca's outstanding fundraising efforts!

ADEM Elections

Want to be one of 7 men and 7 women elected in the 74th State Assembly District to be a delegate to the CDP Convention in 2019? LWDC Treasurer Gary Bennett is currently a delegate and can tell you more about it. Election will take place Jan. 26 at COR AME Church in Irvine at 10 a.m. Club leadership Linda Nearing and Sue Dearing are conveners.

Sue and Linda will need many volunteers on January 26 and will offer a training prior to the event. Please call Sue 949-855-6965 or Linda 949-460-0640 for more info and to sign up.

AD (Assembly District) delegates vote on behalf of the community they represent at CDP Regional Meetings, the California

Democratic Party Convention, and those who are also elected to serve as an Executive Board member are responsible for voting and representing their community at the semi-annual E-Board meetings.

There is cost involved, and those elected should count on at least \$1,500 to \$2,000 per year. Conventions are annual but are held in northern and southern California in alternating years. The 2019 convention will be held in San Francisco, an expensive city!

Applications will be taken from November 14 until December 27, 2018. Info: <https://www.cadem.org/our-party/adem>.

CLUB ELECTIONS COMING UP!

Club Elections/Nominating Chair Maureen Mehler prepared a slate for the 2019 officers and directors. Nominations from the floor will be taken at the December holiday party. Election and installation are at the January 15 meeting. **Directors Anne Pearson and Arline Burgmeier are not running again. We thank them for their service to the club.**

Nominees are: **Officers:** Linda Nearing, President, Newsletter and Publicity Chair; Sue Dearing, 1st Vice President, Program Chair; Rebeca Gilad, 2nd Vice President (NEW), Outreach and Fundraising Chair; Gary Bennett, Treasurer, Budget Chair and PAC reporter; Allan Feldman, Secretary.

While directors are elected at-large, we thought you might like to see the committees they have volunteered to chair in 2019 and have therefore listed them by committee.

Directors: Activism, Janice Burstin; Campaign & GOTV, Jeanette Peck; Club Associate Member to Central Committee/Historian, Heide Krueger-Gerson; Club Election & Nominating, Maureen Mehler; Hospitality, Heather Bennett; Legislative Action, Jonathan Adler; Membership, Janet Means; Special Events, Nancy Hensel; Voter Registration, Mary Ribando (NEW).

In addition to voting for the slate at the January meeting, **YOU** should feel free to volunteer to serve on one or more of these committees. **YOU** are the wind beneath our wings!