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Right: Carole Beecher (Co-Chair of the Afternoon Tea with Kathy DiBernardo (not pictured), May Vilicich (Auxiliary Co-President), and Lois Griffith are delighted with the turnout.

Below Left: Sr. Mary Augustine welcomes John and Rosemarie Grablewski.

Right: Gina Ballard shares the tea time with her grandmother Alice Dooley who is a Resident.

Bottom Left: Natalie Sutlovich (Sunday Barbecue Chair) visits with Jean Sorich.

Bottom Right: One of the twenty-one creative and inspiring *Tables by Design* set for an afternoon tea.

A Formal Afternoon Tea Begins Adventure 2002



Left: Jan Borelli, Barbara West, Bernice Brady, Carol Stutzke, Lucy Stutzke, Mary Ann Reeve, Caitlain Stutzke.



On June 1 & 2, the Little Sisters of the Poor Auxiliary hosted its annual fundraiser. The festivities were open to the public and held on the beautiful grounds of the Jeanne Jugan Residence.

The special opening attraction was a traditional English Tea. The dining room was transformed into a magical garden-like setting. Classical piano and violin music added to the ambiance as everyone enjoyed lunch and each other's company.



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Saturday Fun for the Whole Family



The weekend provided many opportunities for adults and children to learn, shop and play.

Mary Ann Viculin was a guest speaker on *Fresh Flower Arranging*. Patty Laney, Adventure Co-chair, and Phyllis Trujillo, Aux. Co-Pres., enjoyed an up-close view (Left). Other weekend speakers discussed photo presentation, Feng Shui decorating, nutrition, and cosmetics. Along the pathway were vendor displays offering art, beauty/clothing, decorating, jewelry, and other items for sale.

Colleen O'Brien, Kathy Mallano, and Timmy Kelly were among the many Auxiliary volunteers assisting with event logistics (Top Left).

The Children's Fun Zone included Fr. Larry Lorenzoni from San Francisco who skillfully fooled and delighted the children—and adults—with his magic tricks (Left). Rebecca Holtz, Raquel Hudgins, and Aileen Phillips from San Pedro High School Marine Science Magnet staffed the popular face painting booth (Right).

Joe Marino volunteered to be the popcorn vendor (Left). There were other food and refreshment booths including the In-N-Out Burger van.

Vivian VonSlomsky was a favorite among the little kids (Right) who also enjoyed the two huge jump houses (Below Left). The bigger kids were more interested in climbing the "Wall" (Below Right).

Thank You, Auxiliary, for your creativity and hard work. Our Residents, guests, family and friends all greatly enjoyed the LSP Adventure 2002 family fun and special attractions.

Sunday Car Show, Essay Awards and Family Bar-B-Que

Auxiliary members Jean Rados, Maryann Rosbottom, and Cecilia Iacono welcomed guests to Sunday's events (Left). The Children's Fun Zone, guest speakers, vendor displays and the antique appraiser were again part of the day's entertainment. There was also a fantastic classic car and motorcycle display which Sr. Anthony and Sr. Maria found very interesting (Right).



Janice Hahn, L.A. City Councilwoman, did a reading of a children's book before the awards for the essay contest (Left). The 1st prize was a \$500 savings bond. In total, \$1,100 in bonds were awarded to 9 students in K through 8. The essay topic was *How does Helping Others Help our Community*. Essays were on display for all to enjoy.



Jan Werneid, Adventure Co-Chair; May Vilich, Aux. Co-Pres.; and Sr. Rose Marie selected the Opportunity Ticket winners (Right). Anselm and Pia Varni won the Hawaiian vacation for two. Kathleen Mitchell won the California Table Design setting. Benjamin Chua won the TV/VCR. Kathleen Tonsich won the Napa getaway.

The Family Barbecue featured mouth-watering western-style cuisine. The area was decorated with red checked table cloths and bales of hay (Right).



Sr. Rose Marie and Sr. Sharon used the hay bales as a comfortable perch for enjoying the entertainment. Resident Alice Jones, Sr. Paul and Sr. Andrea joined them for the program (Below Left).

The music of *Country Plus* was terrific. Sr. Mary Augustine, a guitarist herself, was pleased to get to know the band and thank them for their music. (Right)



Thank You, event sponsors, Angel contributors, gift donors, and everyone who attended Adventure 2002. Your combined support made this a fun and successful event.

Congratulations to Sr. Christine on her Silver Jubilee



Right: Sr. Christine is surrounded by her brother and his family. L-R Brendan Luke, Kathleen Ng (sister-in-law), Haley Luke, John Ng (brother), Grace Luke, David Luke, and Dina Ng Luke (niece).



Sr. Christine Mary Jeanne celebrated her 25th anniversary of profession as a Little Sister of the Poor on Sat., June 22. Bishop Joseph M. Sartoris celebrated the Mass which included the renewal of vows (Left).

"We wanted the day to be very special so we focused on Sr. Christine's ethnic heritage in the events of the day," said Sr. Andrea. "The decorations, entertainment, food and commemorative holy card were all with an Asian or Hawaiian theme."



Top Left: Sr. Rose Marie, Sr. Sharon, Sr. Mary Augustine, Sr. Maria, Sandra Ng (sister of Sr. Christine), Sr. Paul, Penny Polleys, Sr. Vincent, Sr. Mary Francis, Sr. Anthony, and Clara Ann Hawkes (Association Jeanne Jugan). Front: Sr. Andrea, Laiyin Ng (niece), Sr. Christine, Laiwan Fukoto (niece).

Above Right: Sr. Christine receives a special congratulations from Bishop Joe Sartoris.

Left: Sr. Christine presented Anna Clare and all the Residents with a Jubilee Celebration keepsake.

Sister Christine was born the youngest of six children in Brunei on the island of Borneo in Southeast Asia. She was Baptized on Easter Sunday in 1971. Shortly after, she migrated with her family to Hawaii where she deepened her Catholic faith. In 1974, Sr. Christine accepted an invitation to come to Albany, NY to visit a missionary congregation and spend time discerning her vocation. Once there, Sr. Christine worked as a nurse's aide with the Little Sisters of the Poor. Over the ensuing months, she became more and more attracted to the community and prayer life of the Little Sisters. She decided to join the Little Sisters in 1975 and was professed on Sept. 24, 1977.



Left: Sr. Maria and Sr. Vincent joined Sr. Christine for the cutting of the Jubilee Cake.

Right: The St. Bridget Parish Chinese Choir delighted everyone with their traditional songs and hymns. A group of Hawaiian dancers also performed.

Celebrating a Loving Sister and a Life of Service

Sr. Bernadette passed away Wednesday morning, June 12, 2002 at Jeanne Jugan Residence at the age of 92. She was born on June 24, 1909 in Stoughton, Massachusetts and made her profession as a Little Sister of the Poor on December 10, 1935.

Sister moved to Los Angeles in 1968 to serve at St. Anne's Home in Boyle Heights. When the Little Sisters moved to San Pedro in 1979, Sr. Bernadette helped with the transition. She worked in San Pedro through 1987 caring for the elderly and assisting with the operations of the home. In 1990, she again returned to San Pedro where she remained for the rest of her life.

Sr. Bernadette was an excellent painter and her artwork is on display at the Residence. A favorite of many is her painting of Blessed Jeanne Jugan tenderly overlooking the good works of the Little Sisters in Los Angeles, depicted by a blending of the first home in LA, St. Anne's, and the Residence in San Pedro. (Lower Left)

Sr. Bernadette had a special love for gardening and made many friends in the floral trade throughout LA. She was often found tending the roses or overseeing the planting of a new bed of seasonal flowers. (Top Right)

Sister was devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary and had as her special intention priests and their work.

Her funeral Mass was celebrated in the patio garden at the Residence by



her dear friend Bishop Joe Sartoris. Concelebrants included beloved friends Father John Winnenberg and Msgr. Thomas Kiefer. (Lower Right).

"Yes, we were blessed with her company, her labors, and so were a multitude," said Bishop Sartoris in his thoughtful homily. "We will miss that kind of goodness. But we count on her prayers for you, her beloved sisters, for the Residents, for vocations, for the priests, the Church, for all of us. No one's work is completely

finished on earth because it is God's work and it goes on until the end of time. Now we pledge to the Lord and to Sister Bernadette, as she rests from her labors, that we will pick up the burden, blessed by her example and confident of God's grace, and give of ourselves as generously as she did to the work He entrusts to our hands."

The Little Sisters are most grateful for the outpouring of love and gifts given in memory of our dear Sr. Bernadette.

Celebrating 60 years of Marriage

Sixty years of marriage and still very much in love—that's how everyone experiences Residents Ramon and Dolores Grijalva who recently enjoyed their 60th wedding anniversary. They received a special blessing during Mass in the Chapel which was celebrated with their oldest son Ray, Little Sisters, Residents and friends. They were the guests of honor at lunch and together cut the anniversary cake which was shared with all those who came to congratulate them on this wonderful milestone. *Many best wishes to the Grijalvas.*



Volunteers Recognized for Outstanding Service



During National Volunteer Week, April 21 to 27, the Little Sisters hosted a luncheon for the more than 130 volunteers who assist throughout the Home.

"We are so grateful for your generosity and love," said Sr. Rose Marie in her introduction.

"You are a real extension of our hands as you help with so many tasks. Your friendship and loyalty are a true blessing."

Caroline DeMeglio (Top Right) and Rosemarie Grablewski (not pictured) were recognized for 20 years of volunteer service with a beautiful medal from the Knights of Malta. Frank Borelli and Agnes Moran received new gold name badges for their 10 years of service. For 15 years of service Diva Ricci, Sofia Campos, Romona Munoz received recognition plaques from Maggie Marshall (L-R Top Left). Rosemary Depew, Raymond DiTucci and June Howlett also received 15 year plaques. Fourteen volunteers were welcomed into the Knights of Malta Auxiliary based on three years of faithful service and a total of 200 hours. Among those recognized were Barbara Bardarick, Marva Alvarez, Stella Munson and Charlene Eisenberg (L-R Above Left).

Thank you to the many volunteers who assist with transportation, at the reception desk, in the kitchen and dining room, in the laundry, with decorations, with activities and crafts and with gardening, to mention a few. To join our volunteers please call 310-548-0625, Ext. 213.



Volunteers Share Poetry and Song

"Sharing special talents with our Residents is a beautiful way to volunteer," said Sr. Mary Augustine. "Everyone loves music and poetry, so it's wonderful to have a group dedicated to this program."

Silvia Morgan, a local San Pedro poet, is the volunteer coordinator. The singers and poets return several times a year and perform unique and nostalgic pieces. The most recent show had a spring/patriotic theme. Also included were readings from Grace Byrnes' book.

Gracie was a volunteer for the Little Sisters whose efforts spanned three decades. Her picture hangs on the door of the volunteer office which is dedicated in memory of her many contributions.

Thank you, poets and singers, for sharing your enthusiasm and talents.

Top Left: Silvia Morgan, Nita Shidler, Valerie Stanton, and Janis Lukstein lead the audience singing *This Land is Your Land*.

Right: Nita Shidler and Valerie Stanton sing *Summer is Coming*.



2002 Holiday Boutique Set for October 26th and 27th

The Holiday Boutique is a tradition of long standing for the Volunteers of the Little Sisters of the Poor.

“This is an important way for everyone to help the Little Sisters with their ministry to the elderly,” explains Rhoda Larquier, event co-chair. “The volunteers and Residents make beautiful crafts and ceramics throughout the year with an eye toward the boutique. Plus, those who assist in the monthly rummage sale save the finest jewelry, silver items and delicate collectibles for this once-a-year boutique. Even the Sisters who do the daily collecting bring many new items donated from department stores and other merchants for our sale.”

“It’s a fun time,” adds Beverley Costley, event co-chair. “Many of our supporters have been coming for years. They enjoy the shopping and just having a cup of coffee in this friendly environment. Plus, knowing the proceeds are important to the work of the Little Sisters makes it easier to be a little impulsive about purchases.”

Bring a friend and enjoy the browsing and shopping opportunities. The Sisters, Volunteers and Residents look forward to seeing you for this year’s boutique.

Below L-R: Fresh plants of every kind make wonderful gifts.

Collectibles and treasures are tempting *must have* buys.

Beautiful handmade afghans and other crafts are arranged for sale.



2002 Holiday Boutique October 26th & 27th

10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Jeanne Jugan Residence
San Pedro, CA

- Crafts
- Ceramics
- Jewelry
- Plants
- Santa's Toyland
- Granny's Attic
- Kitchen Goodies
- Collectibles & Treasures
- Coffee Shop
- Hamburgers, hot dogs & more

For information please call
(310) 548-0625

Top Right: Rosemarie Grablewski, Beverley Costley, and Rhoda Larquier organize the boutique.

Above Right: Resident Marie Olsen paints ceramics for sale.

Right: Irene Moeller, Resident Edna Evans, Jo Woodley, and Kay Heckman craft beautiful items to sell.



Planting Seeds in Good Soil

We were delighted to have Sr. Winifred with us for a few weeks this summer as she made her annual retreat at Jeanne Jugan Residence. Sister Winifred was in Los Angeles in 1979 when the Little Sisters relocated from St. Anne's to our current home in San Pedro. She shared many stories about the excitement and challenges of the move. A favorite is about the palm trees that now line the garden. Sr. Winifred planted them from seeds taken from a palm at St. Anne's. The seedlings were transported to San Pedro and planted 22 years ago. She was thrilled to see how big they have grown. Now our palms seem even more beautiful knowing they link to our roots in LA!

Thank you, Sr. Winifred, for your thoughtful gardening.



Left: Resident Dora Heck with her daughter Stella Dehart.



A Mother's Day Memory

The Residents celebrated Mother's Day this year with an afternoon tea. Here is a sampling of photos taken that day.



Left: Barbara Martin with her daughter Anna Martin



Right: Pamela Bautista and her mother Henrietta Gomes.



Below Left: Resident Vernie Meagher was joined by her daughter Maria Barrington and her two granddaughters Michelle and Jamie Barrington



Right: Our three Resident centenarian Nora Hobbs (100), Mary Svornich (105), and Guadalupe Barraza (101) shared Mother's Day together.



Please remember the work of the Little Sisters of the Poor in your will.

Matching Gifts

Many of our donors are encouraged to know that their contributions may be matched by their employer.

This may even apply to those who are retired or to their spouses.

The Little Sisters are a 501(C)(3) organization and are eligible for such gifts. Check with your employer to see if your gift can be matched.

With Grateful Hearts

Thank you to all our donors who generously enable us to continue our mission of bringing Christ's love to the elderly.