



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It's hard to believe it's already April and our year is almost over. I'm thankful for the sunshine after our much needed rain. It's starting to feel like Spring!

We had an amazing Gala last month and once again I'm so thankful for the support from our members. I'd like to thank every one of you who have worked hard to put this event together: Co-Chairs *Kim Klosterman* and *Lydia Trout*, as well as *Mary Broerman* and *Mary Kay Prather* working on our boutique, and the entire Executive Board for stepping up to do whatever we needed. Thank you all for doing your part to create a wonderful event that will enable The Oakmont League to fulfill its philanthropic goals. It was a great evening, especially being able to honor *Patsy Dewey* and *Carolyn Beaton* for their long-time service and dedication to the Oakmont League.

Thanks goes to *Jackie Kubel* for wearing so many hats this year - I'll start with the programs. They were great and very well received. Next her hard work as chair of the nominating committee – there's a great slate of new officers and I'm grateful for all the ladies that have stepped forward to continue our good work in the community. Lastly, Jackie has arranged for our scholarship interviews and gathered our High School recipients. I'm sure I've forgotten more – and I can't thank her enough for her help and support.

Ellen Farewell and the Philanthropy committee have made a proposal for the allocation of our funds and I hope you'll be pleased with those results. We will be voting on them at our April meeting. Thanks to Ellen for directing our Philanthropy efforts this year- we are making an impact in our community.

We'd also like to welcome our two new members, *Annette Crump* and *Arlene Meadows*. We look forward to getting to know you and having you join this wonderful group of ladies!

April's meeting will be busy with elections, votes for our allocations and scholarships. Thanks to *Mary Kay* for sending out Evites with the menu and details and following up to make sure as many of you will be attending as possible. We hope to see you all there.

Pam Sorem, President

WAYS AND MEANS

Please see the invitation for our summer party at the end of the Lily. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a fun summer evening at the home of *Amanda* and *Richard Duffy*. Evites will go out in early June.

Sauna Lehmann & Carol Eldred, Social Chairs

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Just a reminder to the scholarship committee: GCC interviews will be held in person on April 14th at 9:30am.

COMMITTEE SIGN UPS

Committee sign ups for 2023-2024 will be circulated at the April and May meetings. Please consider how you will contribute to Oakmont League next year.

Katherine Yamada, Corresponding Secretary



HOSPITALITY

Please join us on Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at the Oakmont Country Club. It will be a Closed meeting.

We are scheduled to be in the Oak Room. Turn left, after entering the Club.

Time: 10:15 AM Social, 10:30 AM Meeting and Noon Lunch.

Menu: Regular option: Breast of Chicken with lemon and honey, mashed potatoes, and seasonal vegetables.

Vegetarian option: Spinach ravioli.

Desert: Red velvet cake.

Please RSVP to the Evite before Friday, April 21.

Specify your menu choice on the RSVP. If you RSVP Yes and do not attend, you will be charged for the meal because Oakmont Country Club charges The Oakmont League.

Note: Meal changes cannot be made on the day of the meeting.

Credit Cards on file with Oakmont League will be charged on Monday, April 24. The cost for the luncheon is \$46. 00.

Mary Kay Prather, Hospitality Chair

MEMBERSHIP

Please welcome our newest member Arlene Meadows. Arlene is sponsored by Lydia Trout and Nancy Spencer.

Add Arlene's info to your roster.

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Liz Reed, Membership



New members Annette Crump & Arlene Meadows with sponsors Nancy & Lydia.

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

The Nominating committee is pleased to present the Proposed Slate of Officers for the 2023-2024 Board.

Proposed Slate of Officers for 2023-2024

President: Pam Sorem (2nd yr of 2-year term)

1st VP Programs: Mary Kay and Mary Broerman

2nd VP Membership: Mary Jo Farrell

3rd VP Philanthropy: Pam Reilly and Ellen Farewell

4th VP Social: Jackie Kubel, Amanda Duffy, Nancy Spencer

Recording Secretary (2-year Term) Carol Eldred

Treasurer: Kim Klosterman (2nd year of 2-year term)

Corresponding Secretary: Allison Weir

Benefit Chairs (2-year term) defer to April 2024

Ways & Means: Mary Kay Prather & Liz Reed

Hospitality: Lydia Brown Trout

Thank you to the committee for their participation and to all of those who have volunteered to be on the Board. Looks as if it will be another stellar year!

Nominating committee: *Jackie Kubel, Chair.*

Allison, Carol, Ellen, Mary Jo

Alternates: Shauna and Kim

DUCK SPLASH

The Duck Splash is coming up soon - April 29th! Please support Oakmont League's Team! Remember we get 50% of every



donation. It is a win win moneymaker for us! We have reached 59% of our goal and I need all of you to please adopt lots of Ducks!

We have raised our Duck goal from 250 to 400 and I know we can do it! You all are so amazing in supporting our charities and I thank you in advance for your participation! You can also bring a check to the meeting or we will be able to help you purchase on line.

With a donation starting at \$5.00 for one duck up to \$250 for fifty ducks, there is a way for everyone to participate and you will be in the running to win up to \$10,000 Click on the blue link below to purchase your Ducks. Thank you so much!

Ellen Farewell, Philanthropy Chair

<https://www.duckrace.com/glendale/teams/389>



Judy Mendicina 1
Carole Jouroyan 11
Dee Lewis 17

PHILANTHROPY

Great news and kudos to Kim and Lydia for a job so well done! Our Casino night was so successful that we have loot to distribute to our beloved charities and scholarships! Yay!!!!

The allocations meeting was held and the following recommendations were made and approved by the Board at the April Board meeting. The membership will vote on the proposed allocations at our April meeting.

The proposed allocations are as follows:

4 scholarships for our high school students
\$2,000.00 per student, total of \$8,000.00

3 scholarships for our GCC students
\$2,000.00 per student, total of \$6,000.00

Gift to YWCA for the Camp Rosie Empowerment and leadership skills for teenage girls of \$4,000.00
We will be funding their food budget, (lunch, etc), versus administrative cost. Our generous gift will basically cover the whole food budget

Gift to GCC, Disability program
(They asked for \$2,000.00)
We would like to give \$2,000.00.

This will be discussed and voted on at the April meeting. Thanks so much to all of you for supporting all of our philanthropic events this year!

Ellen Farewell, Philanthropy Chair

All in on Oakmont League Benefit Recap



The March 18th benefit “**All in on Oakmont League**”, was a huge success and fun was had by all. There were about 100 guests. Check in was a breeze. As guests arrived, they received a gold envelope which contained everything they needed for the evening including their “Raise the Paddle” number, gambling chip and menu selection for dinner.

Everyone seemed to really enjoy kicking off the evening by gathering at the open bar and meeting up with friends. Many of the guests headed directly off to gamble. Those who had never gambled before enjoyed learning the games in a relaxed atmosphere. Others shopped in the boutique, which was perfectly arranged by Mary Broerman and Mary Kay Prather.

Mary Wells and Liz Reed had beautiful table arrangements with an accent of poker cards strategically placed around the club.

We’ve received very positive comments on the dinner, and members liked having wine pre-ordered and pre-placed at their tables ready to share with their guests.

Our master of ceremonies for the evening was Sean Van Straatum, the Assistant General Manager of the Oakmont Country Club. He ran an extremely successful “Raise the Paddle to fund our scholarships.

The big winner of the 50/50 drawing was Kim Klosterman who donated the money back to the Oakmont League. Big thanks to Kim.

Katherine Yamada introduced Patsy Dewey and Carolyn Beaton as our honorees. Our President, Pam Sorem, presented them each with the traditional mementos.

Many thanks to our business sponsors. Our “All In” sponsors for the evening were **Adventist Health Glendale** and **Dewey Pest Control** who gave a thousand dollars or more.

Our “Double Down sponsor who gave \$500 or more was **G & C Properties**.

Our “Ante” sponsors were **Bistange Bros.** and **USC Verdugo Hospital**.

Kim Klosterman and Lydia Brown-Trout,
Benefit Chairs

**PHOTOS FROM THE BENEFIT ARE AVAILABLE
BY CLICKING ON THIS LINK**

[https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/
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usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1tnaFClIWGYFiQKYqvbaocPYM_BCszNwy?usp=sharing)



2023 Honorees



Carolyn Beaton

Patsy Dewey



This year's honorees have been friends for many years and they have much in common:

They both grew up in the Los Feliz area and both graduated from John Marshall High. They met and married men who were best friends. And, they both joined the league in the 70s. As they say in the movies, here's the back story:

When he was young, Ron Beaton sold newspapers at the corner of Griffith Park and Los Feliz. He kept his money close by, in a cigar box. But, one day, a kid came along on a bike, grabbed the box and took off.

Steven Dewey - - who happened to be riding by on his own bike - - chased the culprit but couldn't catch up.

He returned to talk to Ron, which is when they discovered they were neighbors. Both went to King Junior High and Marshall High and they became close friends.

Ron introduced Steven to Patsy when all three were at King. And, after Ron met Carolyn, the four friends double dated.

Patsy attended USC along with Steven, who had already served in the Marine Corps and worked for his father at Dewey Pest Control. (Steven took over the business in 1977.)

After Patsy graduated, she began teaching at Third Street School in Los Angeles while Steven finished his education.

When her children were young, she took on another job, modeling for designers in the garment district. In the afternoons, she taught English as a Second Language at Glendale College to Cuban refugees.

Patsy retired from teaching when the two couples purchased adjoining lots in Cabo and she was in charge of building the Dewey house.

She was invited to join Oakmont League in 1972; she was sponsored by several women she knew from Glendale Juniors, a support group for the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

As a former model, she was a valuable addition to our fashion shows. One year stands out in particular, the year she and Linda Malmquist and Gail Bugliosi made the table decorations. The threesome were soon out on Ethel Street, picking up Magnolia leaves which they took home and sprayed gold for centerpieces.

For many years, she also did the decorations for the league's annual Christmas party at Beckhams in Pasadena.

Patsy and Carolyn chaired the Ways and Means party at the hillside home of Fran Buchanan in 2010.

She also served on several committees, often with Carolyn, and as auditor one year.

After her husband passed away, she took over the family business, leaving her with little time for social groups. But she continues to be deeply involved in supporting higher education; not just through her generosity to Oakmont's scholarship program, but also through other venues, including Swim With Mike and the Wrigley Institute. She was one of the first members of the Friends of the USC Libraries and was honored by USC with an Alumni Award two years ago.

The league has been an important part of her life. "I've made the most wonderful friends." She is very appreciative of her fellow members' support during difficult times in her life. "It's a great group and I'm deeply honored by this recognition."

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Carolyn and her family moved to Glendale in 1957 and she attended Glendale College, planning to transfer to UCLA, but things changed when she was named a princess in the Miss Glendale competition and later rode in the Rose Parade.

She soon began working for TV Guide magazine in Hollywood and there she met Ron, who worked at a nearby rock and roll station and had served in both the Marine Reserves and the Army.

Carolyn was a Catalina swimsuit model and also modeled at the 1960 Democratic Convention in Los Angeles.

She and Ron had three children by 1972 when they purchased their Rossmoyne home. Two years later, she was invited to join Oakmont. Carolyn was very familiar with the league, as her aunt, Ursula Gudelman, was a founding member.

In those days, an invitation to join was a carefully guarded secret, so when she discovered a champagne glass - with OL inscribed on it - on the front step of her home, she was thrilled. Patsy was a

sponsor. Another was Lucy Yarrick, who had a gardening show on KIEV with her husband Burnell.

Marguerite Camphouse was president that year and Carolyn attended a new members tea at the home of Jane Phillips.

Within a year, she was on President Pat Avery's board. She gave birth to her fourth child in '78, but continued to serve.

She also joined Mannequins, which met monthly at Pike's Verdugo Oaks and also held an annual fashion show there. One year, she and Becci Neville served as Mannequins co-chairs and moved the fashion show to the Sheraton Universal, with Mannequins modeling.

In later years, they used professional models, but Mannequins continued to model at our October meeting, a tradition which continued for many years.

In 2012, she and co-chair Lynn Dittrick decorated the Sheraton Universal Hotel with cherry blossoms and Eiffel Tower vases.

She also served as the league's program chair, often enlisting people she met through Ron's father, who purchased KIEV in 1961.

Carolyn has held nearly every office except president. With four children and her husband's busy schedule at KIEV, plus traveling, she couldn't take on that commitment. She is also a long time member of Las Candelas, which seeks to improve the lives of vulnerable children.

Being a member of Oakmont for 47 years has been a great pleasure for Carolyn. "So many special women were members of this wonderful group. We all had an interest in giving back to our community."

PRESS

The Glendale News Press gave us some nice coverage of our benefit. They printed the press release and articles in Saturday's paper in a prominent spot on the second page. There are also articles at the following links.

Katherine Yamada, Press

<https://glendalenewspress.outlooknewspapers.com/2023/03/07/oakmont-league-to-host-casino-night-gala/>

<https://www.crescentvalleyweekly.com/between-friends/02/09/2023/oakmont-league-hosts-benefit/>

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Did You Forget About Harvey Drive?

I'm writing to point out the incomplete work on Harvey Drive: There are eight curbs that were demolished to make them more easily used for people with disabilities.

This work started months or possibly years ago and was never finished. Instead, there are now holes, broken concrete and orange cones. Not only does it look terrible, now it is more unsafe for everyone to walk there.

Any idea when this work order will be completed, or did you forget about it?

Victoria Travis
Glendale

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Oakmont League Highlights Service of Longtime Members



Photos courtesy Oakmont League of Glendale

The honorees of the gala were Carolyn Beaton and Patsy Dewey.



Lydia Brown-Trout and Kim Klosterman, co-chairs of Oakmont League's All In On Oakmont League event, are pictured at the gala.



Patsy Dewey, Oakmont League President Pam Sorem and Carolyn Beaton enjoy the festivities held at the Oakmont Country Club.

Two Glendale residents, Carolyn Beaton and Patsy Dewey, were recently honored by Oakmont League of Glendale at the group's Casino Night gala, themed "All In On Oakmont League."

The two women, who joined the group in the 1970s, were recognized for their support of the league's fashion shows, which for many years funded Oakmont's ongoing scholarship program.

President Pam Sorem told attendees of the gala, held at the Oakmont Country Club, that the league annually awards scholarships to a deserving student at each of Glendale's high schools, as well as to a Glendale Community College student transferring to a four-year institution.

Beaton, who joined in 1976, was a model and a finalist in the Miss Glendale competition before working for TV Guide magazine in Hollywood. There, she met and later married Ron Beaton, who

worked at a rock 'n' roll station.

In addition to her fashion show involvement, Beaton served as the league's program chair for several years, often enlisting people she met through her father-in-law William Beaton, who purchased the local radio station KIEV in 1961.

"So many special women were members of this wonderful group," Beaton said of her honor. "We all had an interest in giving back to our community."

Dewey, a graduate of the University of Southern California, began teaching at the elementary school level and married fellow USC student, Steven Dewey, who worked for his father at Dewey Pest Control.

When her children were young, she taught English as a second language at Glendale College to Cuban refugees. She joined the league in 1972 and, as a former model, assisted with the fashion shows.

Dewey, who stepped back from volunteer activities when she took

over as head of the family business, said that the league has been an important part of her life.

"It's a great group and I'm deeply honored by this recognition," she said.

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TACO *bout a* PARTY!



Oakmont League Ways & Means Summer Party

Saturday, June 24 / 5:30pm

Home of Amanda & Richard Duffy

1515 BEL AIRE DRIVE

GLENDALE, CA

\$50 per person



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