

Point Loma Assembly

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Our September 14 Meeting Rejuvenation in Balboa Park, 1935-style.

Since its formation in 1967, the Balboa Park Committee of 100 (C-100) has worked to preserve Balboa Park's historic architecture and gardens.

Join us on September 14, when C-100 president Ross Porter reviews the Committee's recent plans and accomplishments in the park's 1935-era Palisades area. Let's all gather to learn about Balboa Park's past, present and future.

You will be amazed!

DOORS OPEN AT 4:30 PM
PROGRAM TO FOLLOW



Point Loma Assembly's Mission:

To promote literary, social, educational, philanthropic, civic, and artistic work, and to restore and maintain the Assembly building at 3035 Talbot Street.

Point Loma Assembly is fortunate to have strong community collaboration with the Point Loma Foundation, Point Loma Rotary, and the San Diego County Board of Supervisors.



*Message from
Sally Bixler, President*

What is the Point Loma Assembly? What is our mission?

An undated historical document I found recently said, “Some, because of its name, think it’s a church group. Most folks readily admit they have no idea.”

How can this be? A building and organization that have been part of our Point Loma community for over 100 years does not have a well defined purpose?

Thinking about how history gives us such perspective, I looked into the true history of this historic building and its supporters. As the story goes, land owner Frank Jennings saw the need for a place where the growing Point Loma population could meet. He got the ball rolling by conditionally gifting land to a loosely formed group of civic leaders if they built a clubhouse within a year. A building was built, the Assembly was formed and incorporated and their first meeting took place in 1914. Clearly, there are two parts to Point Loma Assembly. First, the building and second, the membership that supports it. Like any 100+ year old wooden structure, there are always repairs to be made, walls to be painted and plumbing to be replaced. Thank you for your

membership renewals and rentals that help with these projects. We hope to be “where the community likes to meet” for many years to come.



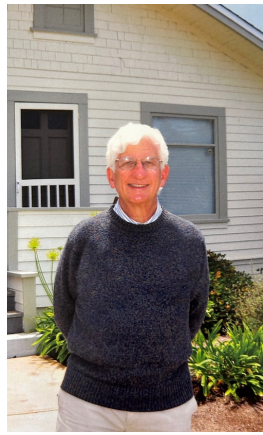
Membership

*Pam Hamilton Lester
FY 2022-23 Membership Chair*

Many, many thanks to the members of Point Loma Assembly who have renewed their memberships for Fiscal Year July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2024. And, please welcome these new members who have recently joined the Assembly: Karen and Reinhold Metzger, Al Baber, Sam Bick, Sandy and Richard Gilbert, and Sierra Kroha. As of Newsletter deadline, Assembly membership stands at 130! Please introduce your friends and colleagues to the Assembly by inviting them to a meeting. Also, our website provides an excellent introduction: pointlomaassembly.org. The next Assembly general meeting will be Thursday, September 14, doors open at 4:30 p.m. Please come meet and greet!

Thank you to our business sponsors: Brigantine Restaurants, Call Glenn Again, Cygnet Theatre, Girl Scouts of San Diego, Good Point Gasoline, Jensen’s Foods, La Playa Books, Little House of Flowers, NTC Foundation, Point Loma Playhouse, The Hartley Company Insurance and Visions Museum of Textile Art.

RENT THE ASSEMBLY Hourly rate \$100 with 4-hour minimum. Discount for charitable organizations. Visit pointlomaassembly.org/rentals.



NEW BUSINESS SPONSOR

Assembly Members Honored.

Dorothea Laub and David Goldberg were honored this past July by Save Our Heritage Organisation at the 40th anniversary of People in Preservation Awards in the historic Marston House rose garden.

Dorothea received the Lifetime Achievement Award for endeavors as a donor and a steadfast champion of historic restoration projects. She has been a leader in projects in Balboa Park, Liberty Station, and Point Loma Village. Our treasured Point Loma Assembly Hall is in a good place today to serve the community because of Dorothea's leadership and stewardship.

David Goldberg received the Cultural Stewardship Award for his 40-plus years as a member, as volunteer and as an officer in many organizations that promote Historic Preservation. David has long time commitments to the La Jolla Historical Society, The Marston House, and is current President of SOHO. He was one of the first community members to join and promote the preservation of our Point Loma Assembly Hall during the early years of revitalizing the Assembly Hall.

Our most recent sponsor, Call Glenn Again Handyman Services, just celebrated its 5-year anniversary. Since their first job in August 2018, Glenn's team has serviced 2900 homes and completed just under 10,000 jobs, the majority in Point Loma. Call Glenn Again is a licensed contractor and does everything you need for your home including: plumbing, electrical, carpentry, painting and even security and wifi connectivity.

Glenn, and his girlfriend Alexandra, moved here in March of 2018 and quickly became an integral part of the community, volunteering for a number of organizations and sponsoring a few of our local events.

"We absolutely love it here!," says Glenn. "We bought a house when we moved here and I am definitely going to die in that house. Point Loma is the best place I've ever lived."

Not just a handyman, Glenn is also a published author. Last year, with his writing partner Kentucky, he wrote the children's book, "Derby Learns to Surf." It's the true story of Kentucky and his Goldendoodle Derby, who compete in dog surf contests up and down the West Coast. The story takes the young reader from the time of Derby's adoption to their first surf contest. Every few pages there is a QR Code, where the reader can see videos of Derby surfing or doing whatever else is on that page. Derby Learns to Surf is available at www.DerbyBook.com, and currently has 37 five star reviews on Amazon.



End of An Era

by Cecilia Carrick

Michael and Andrea Saad have been an important part of our Peninsula business community for a long time. The family originally bought Point Loma Shelter Island Drug 33 years ago, and they expanded in 2009 when they bought Point Loma Cabrillo Drug. As a pharmacist, Michael ran an efficient and high quality business. He not only sustained an entire community by giving wise counsel and filling their medical/ pharmacy needs, but also by being a caring friend to his many clients. The two pharmacies were both located so conveniently that one could easily get needed medications/ shots and also, because of Andrea's classy style, find that special last minute gift or unique birthday card at the same time. The Saad's supported several community groups and organizations, including our very own Point Loma Assembly. Even though the pharmacy business will continue at the Vons Pharmacy in nearby Liberty Station, we are going to miss the Saad family and business presence in our Village midst.



SPECIAL FUNDRAISING EVENT TO
BENEFIT POINT LOMA SUMMER CONCERTS


\$40
PER PERSON

Limited participation
Register today!

RHYTHM & BREWS



Thursday, September 28th,
5:30 - 7:30 pm
Thursday Club,
1224 Santa Barbara Street, San Diego



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White and Brown Leg-
horn Eggs for sale.
Address for prices and
particulars,
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Point Loma
Or Fred M. Jennings,
Sheriff's office.

What? A poultry farm? Join the tour and hear about our Point Loma ancestors.

WALKING TOUR
OF POINT LOMA'S ROSEVILLE

Saturday, September 9, 2023

Three tours: 10:00 and 11:00 am, and 12:00 noon

Brought to you by La Playa Trail Association
Please RSVP for your free tour at LaPlayaTrail@gmail.com

Put on your walking shoes for a Saturday stroll along a mapped route covering about one mile. Begin your preferred-time tour at Point Loma Assembly Hall, 3035 Talbot Street, in Point Loma. You'll stop at seven points of history where a guide will enlighten you on some of the most interesting tidbits of Point Loma's past. You'll end your tour at the historic Jennings House Eatery (1018 Rosecrans Street) and bask in your choice of summer fare at a special 10% discount, and enjoy an up-close, pictorial adventure with our ancestors. See you on the Trail!

For more information, please visit www.laplayatrail.org.

Just in Time for the New School Year...

We Did It! Thanks to everyone who supported the fundraising efforts to cover costs of the Cabrillo School Arts Program at the NTC Liberty School for this upcoming school year. \$4,050 from the Bus Drivers, \$3,000 from the Point Loma Foundation and \$1,950 from our Assembly Philanthropic budget.

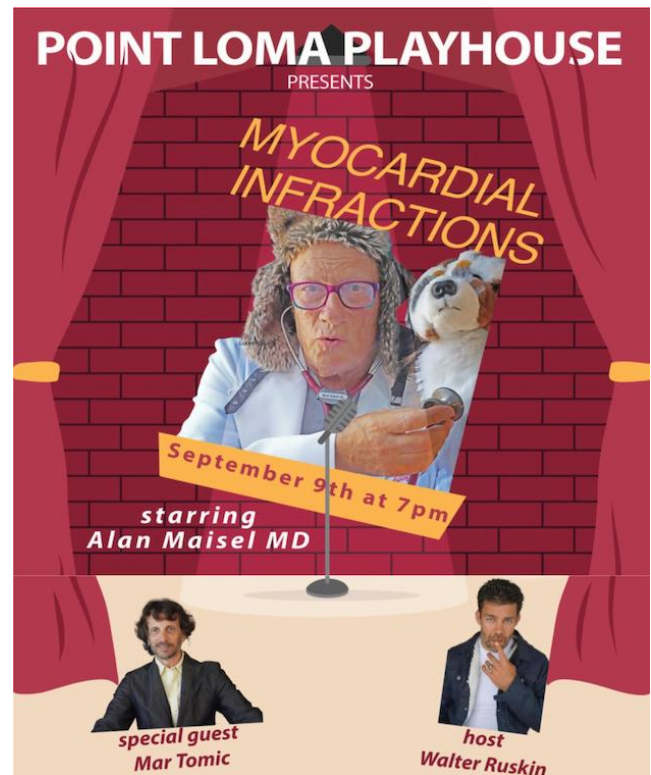
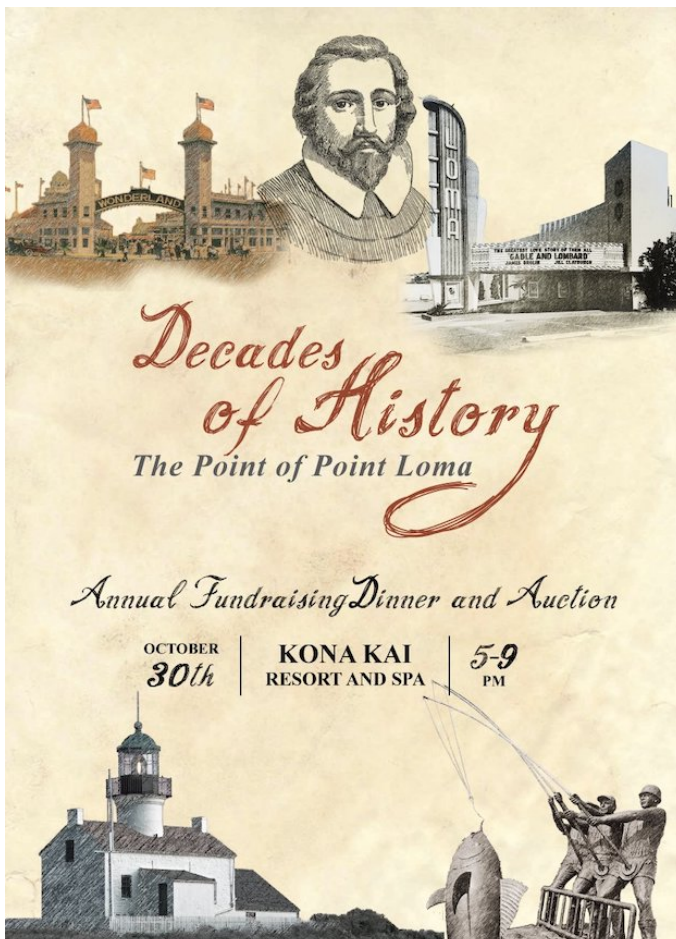
In addition, the Point Loma Rotary has "jumped on the bus" and will be donating \$6,000 for this program. As only \$9,000 is needed each school year, it looks like funding is almost in place for next year as well. Special thanks to Belle Ann Baker and her husband Bob for their vision in spearheading the Point Loma Rotary Club's grant. Also special thanks to other Point Rotary members: Shannon Osborne for her assistance and advice and to Debra Gookin, President of Point Loma Rotary Club.

Let's not forget a big shout out to Pam Fuchs for creating the Assembly Community Impact Committee where all this started.



Left to right: Lynn Silva and Pam Fuchs with NTC's Lisa Johnson.

Point Loma Association



ONE NIGHT ONLY!

ALL SEATS \$15

Doors Open at 7:30

Details at pointlomaplayhouse.com