

NORTH COUNTY WIDOWS & WIDOWERS CLUB

JULY 2026

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NORTH SAN DIEGO COUNTY

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Members!

I'm happy to be home after a tour of the Pacific Northwest. Here are some highlights.

We traveled in a 32 foot motor home on an 18-day trip. We drove the California Central Valley with miles of almonds, pistachios and walnut orchards. At Santa Nella, we saw orange groves and fields of corn. We camped on the banks of Lake Shasta, California's largest reservoir and toured the Lake Shasta Caverns. They are known for beautiful lime formations. It took us 290 steps to traverse the caverns one way. Snow still covers Mt. Shasta peaks.

Next, we stopped at Hedges Creek Falls, a lovely waterfall, known for its volcanic rocks formed when lava cools and hardens.

On to Oregon, where we visited family in Ashland and Eugene. We saw a classic Shakespeare comedy at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival and toured Hendricks Park and where we were treated to thousands of rhododendrons and azaleas.

On our loop back through CA, we hiked through the redwood forests and Founders Grove in the redwoods. We saw the famous "Founders Tree." It is among the tallest trees known in the world.

We camped on the Russian River in Big Sir and drove the historic Highway 1 with its incredible ocean views and an 80-foot waterfall flowing into the ocean.

Our members are enjoying the Lunch Bunch events at The Mining Co on the first Monday of each month. Thanks to Nancy for starting this popular event.

For all you baseball fans, Vince is coordinating a trip to a minor baseball league game, the Lake Elsinore Storm, on August 4th. See the flyer for details.

We are again invited to the SD WOW annual luau. Don't miss this event as it's a great party. See the flyer for details.

Enjoy the summer.

Wilma



July Events

Reservation Deadlines

See page 2 for detailed information

Event Date	Event	RSVP by	Name & Number
Wed 07/01/26	Book Club	ASAP	Ann Fleming 760-704-1258
Mon 07/06/26	Lunch Bunch Mining Co	ASAP	Nancy Pace-Skinner 760-716-9000
Wed 07/08/26	Happy Hour Cafe de Thai	07/04/26	Vince Loughney 760-724-6857
Fri 07/10/26	Elks Dinner Dance Vista	07/02/26	Dottie Hagaman 760-438-5491
Wed 07/22/26	Happy Hour Felix's BBQ	07/18/26	Vince Loughney 760-724-6857
Fri 07/24/26	Elks Dinner Dance Oceanside	07/16/26	Dottie Hagaman 760-438-5491
Thurs 07/30/26	Annual Luau WOW of SD	07/15/26 By mail	Nancy Pace-Skinner 760-716-9000

NCWW BOARD 2026

President	Wilma Wilhelm	760-473-3534
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JULY EVENTS

NCWW Book Club

WED, 07/01/26 - 2-4 PM

Welcome book lovers. We meet for appetizers/desserts and beverages at a member's home. At this meeting, we will discuss The Book Club for Troublesome Women: A Novel by Marie Bostwick, which is an empowering historical fiction novel set in 1963. It follows four suburban housewives who form a secret book club. Through reading *The Feminine Mystique*, they challenge societal expectations and forge an unbreakable bond of sisterhood.

For more information call Ann Fleming 760-704-1258

Lunch Bunch @ The Mining Co

FIRST MON EACH MONTH - 11:30-12:30

(579 Grand Ave, San Marcos)

(07/06/26 this month)

This is a new event! Come have lunch at the Mining Co every first Monday. The company is fun and the menu and service are great! Join us this month.

RSVP with Nancy Pace-Skinner 760 716-9000 ASAP

Happy Hour - Cafe de Thai & Sushi

WED, 07/8/26 - 3-5 PM

(14196 Oceanside Blvd, Oceanside) A new happy hour place for us to try! Several members enjoyed meeting for dinner after a play and now we are adding it to our happy hour list! Great pricing and service! **RSVP with Vince Loughney 760-724-6857 (text preferred) by Sat, 07/04/26**

Dinner/Dance – Vista Elks Lodge

FRI, 07/10/26 - 5-9 PM

(Vista Elks Lodge, 1947 E. Vista Way, Vista) Dinner and dancing to live music. Join us for a lively evening of fun, music and dancing. **All non-Elk NCWW members will be charged a \$15 cover charge to defray rising costs.** Please be sure to RSVP and to let Dottie know if you decide not to come.

RSVP with Dottie (760) 438-5491 by Thurs, 07/02/26

Happy Hour - Felix's BBQ with Soul

WED, 07/22/26 - 3-5 PM

(13613 Ocean Ranch Blvd, Oceanside) It's summer! Let's get our BBQ on! Yummy BBQ food and great friends - what could be better!?

RSVP with Vince Loughney 760-724-6857 (text preferred) by Sat, 07/18/26

Dinner/Dance – Oceanside Elks Lodge

FRI, 07/24/26 - 5-9 PM

(Oceanside Elks Lodge, 444 Country Club Ln, Oceanside) Dinner and dancing to live music. Join us for a lively evening of fun, music and dancing. Please be sure to RSVP and to let Dottie know if you cannot make it after you RSVP or for the evening's menu.

RSVP with Dottie (760) 438-5491 by Thurs, 07/16/26

Annual Luau with our SD WOW friends -

THURS, 07/30/26 - 12-3PM

(BALI HAI RESTAURANT, 2230 SHELTER ISLAND DRIVE, San Diego) Join the SD WOW group for a traditional buffet lunch with dancing to the music of The IDEAS at the beautiful Bali Hai venue. \$75.00 FOR NCWW Members

Call Nancy 760-716-9000 for more info.

See the flyer with this newsletter. Deadline for mailing is JULY 15, 2026

Storm Baseball Game

TUES, 08/04/26 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

(500 Diamond Dr, Lake Elsinore) We're going to a baseball game! See flyer enclosed for details.

RSVP with Vince Loughney 760-724-6857 (text preferred) by 07/21 and send in payment.





Be sure to say hello to our newest members
(and our guests)!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Apologies to Bill Fujikawa
whose birthday is June 10 not June 4!

07/04	Vince Loughney	07/25	Karin Herrick
07/08	Rose Liles	07/25	Marlené Postell
07/11	Cari Lott	07/25	Robert Haskell
07/14	Cherie Johnson	07/26	Roger Hegemier
07/14	Fima Casa	07/28	Linda McDonald
07/14	Patricia Sax	07/31	Wilma Wilhelm
07/16	Linda Goode	Many Happy Returns!	

BRIDGE FOR ALL LEVELS

Are you interested in playing bridge? All levels are welcome. Call Wilma at 760 473-3534 for details.



Do you know someone who could use a little sunshine?

If you know someone who could use uplifting, please let Diane Phillips know. Call 760-419-1655.

Dance Lessons with Palomar Smooth Dancers

Want to learn to dance? Join several of our NCWW members who are learning to ballroom dance!

Lessons are offered at the Gloria McClellan Senior Center, 1400 Vale Terrace Dr, Vista by Palomar Smooth Dancers on Mondays (every week). Beginners lessons are 7-8 PM, and intermediate lessons are 8-9 PM. The cost is \$10/week for one lesson or \$15/week for both.

Visit www.palomarsmoothdancers.com for more info or call their president, Penny Elliot, at (760) 917-5763.

Dance! Dance! Dance!

Our very own NCWW Secretary, Debbie Jackson, who loves to dance, shared a couple of her favorite dance opportunities. Check them out!

Senior Ballroom Dance

This is mostly attended by senior singles on Sundays, 1-3 PM and Wednesdays 12:40-3 PM \$5 to cover space rental; no partners required. At Dance North County, 535 Encinitas Blvd. Suite 100, Encinitas. Questions: Marty Cooper 760-632-0057. www.seniorballroomdance.com (<http://www.seniorballroomdance.com/>)

Palomar Smooth Dancers

Ballroom dance socials are offered monthly on the last Sunday, 7-9 PM at the Pine Avenue Community Center Gymnasium, 3209 Harding Avenue, Carlsbad
Members are free, non members \$15
No partner required
[palomarsmoothdancers.com](http://www.palomarsmoothdancers.com)
(<http://www.palomarsmoothdancers.com/>)

Line Dancing Classes

Line dancing classes are offered Tuesdays (beginners) and Thursdays (beginners/improvers), 10:45-11:45 AM at the Gloria McClellan Senior Center, 1400 Vale Terrace Dr, Vista





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See page 2 for more details about the events on the calendar.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Call Nancy to RSVP for Lunch Bunch Every 1st Mon!			1 Book Club 2-4 PM	2 RSVP for Elks Dinner Dance - Vista	3	4 RSVP for Happy Hour 
5	6 Lunch Bunch Mining Co 11:30-12:30	7	8 Happy Hour Cafe de Thai 3-5 PM	9	10 Elks Dinner Dance Vista 5:00-9:00 PM	11
12	13	14	15 RSVP for LUAU with WOW of SD	16 RSVP for Elks Dinner Dance - Oceanside	17	18 RSVP for Happy Hour
19	20 NCWW Board Meeting	21	22 Happy Hour Felix's BBQ 3-5 PM	23	24 Elks Dinner Dance Oceanside 5:00-9:00 PM	25
26	27	28	29	30 LUAU with WOW of SD 		Don't forget to reServe Storm Baseball tickets!

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PROPOSE A NCWW EVENT OR ACTIVITY, JOIN US AT THE MEETING!
PLEASE JOIN US AT THE BOARD MEETING USUALLY ON THE THIRD MONDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 1:00 – 3:00 PM
TO HELP US PLAN, PLEASE LET ME KNOW THAT YOU WILL ATTEND - WILMA WILHELM – 760-473-3534. THANK YOU.