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Spring emerged with not only wonderful Branch events filled with flowering spring fashion themes, but we also contributed to a number of special graduations. As a final tribute to their high school years, Bud Branch seniors modeled their prom gowns, celebrated their college destinations, and along with their fellow members helped raise much needed funds for our 2019 funding opportunities at

their celebratory Fashion show and raffle event.

Graduation was a recurring theme at our Annual Recognition Luncheon with mortarboards and medical textbooks cleverly arranged as centerpieces. Members enjoyed presentations from the director of the Community Health and Adolescent Mentoring Program, Michelle Ednacot and Garysha Youngblood, an alum of the program who was anticipating her graduation with a dual masters in Psychol-

This year, the Branches board identified an opportunity to hold an All Branches event on October 19th at the top of the Salesforce Tower in San Francisco. As you read further in your copy of Twigs, you won't want to miss the details about this rare opportunity to see our community from the top of the world. In honor of the cherished Branches Wine Tasting event, the theme will be 'Sips in the City', featuring wine tasting and delicious food in a re-imagined format. Thanks to all the Branches members among us who have stepped up to be a part of the dynamic planning. Space is limited, so pay close attention to your invitation's arrival, gather your friends to join in, and return your response quickly. We look forward to sharing the spectacular views with you!

Please mark your calendars for TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24th when we'll host our Fall General meeting at CHORI. Our speaker will increase our awareness of acute respiratory disease. Come meet the Foundation's new Director of Volunteer Programs, Beverly Ingram, who will share the

It's so gratifying to see our Branches come together with a common purpose of raising funds for the hospital while creating this magnificent 'Sips in the City' event'

ogy and Forensic Psychology from Holy Names University in May. On June 7th, the CHAMPS Program which is focused on introducing disadvantaged minority youth to the health professions, honored TWENTY NINE graduates in the class of 2019. The legacy scholarship gift the Branches funded to honor Bert Lubin will insure support for many future CHAMPS graduates to achieve their dreams. I am proud to support Children's Hospital which recognizes that not everyone has equal access to healthcare and that our Branches organization helps make a difference in providing these resources. Recent examples of this were our gifts of a respiratory Heliox machine and a 3D Trans Esophageal Echo Probe, provided respectively by Lilac and Rowan Branch Fund A Needs. We can be part of creating equity for the many needs of Children's patients by funding items like these that are sorely needed but may not be in the hospital's budget for some time.

latest news on the hospital. Our friends at the Foundation will provide coffee and pastries before and a delicious lunch following the meeting. Before your calendars fill up for the fall and early winter, please read on for details about Cacao Branch's Jazz Jam Session and Hill Branch's Winter Ball. So many memorable ways to support our hospital and have fun in the process!

2019 Board of Directors

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Celebration of service and teamwork at annual Volunteer Recognition Luncheon

A new venue provided gorgeous new surroundings for the Branches annual volunteer recognition luncheon. Sequoyah Country Club, nestled high up in the Oakland Hills, was the perfect backdrop to this special event. Noted special guests were CHAMPS director Michelle Ednacot as well as CHAMPS graduate Garysha Youngblood, the Branches most all-time favorite person Dr. Bert Lubin, as well as past presidents Betty Jo Olson and Ann Tucker.

Board members Kerry Plain of Garden Branch and Carol Miller of Teak Branch presented Outstanding Branch members, as voted through by each of their Branches. Nina Fadelli presented this year's esteemed Alice Bullard award winner, long time Acorn member Lynne Wilson.

Outstanding Branch Members 2018:

Lynne Wilson, Acorn
Haley Graybeal, Bud
Joyce Williams, Cacao
Laura Giles & Carol Leslie, Hill
Gloria Taft, Lilac
Julie Davidson, Lombardy
Beth Lowe, Rowan
Colleen Lund, Teak

Alice Bullard Award 2018: Lynne Wilson



Wendy Dunn and Julie Davidson, Lombardy



Tina Hurley, Porsche Gordon and Erin Hickey, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals Foundation



Garysha Youngblood (CHAMPS alum and recent Holy Names University graduate) with Michelle Ednacot (CHAMPS Program Director)



Molly Kenney, Gail Taylor, Carol Maes, Freddie Darmstadt (Chinquapin), Rochelle Richard (Cacao) and Dee McDonogh (Chinquapin)



Karen Gordon and Nia Blakeney (Cacao)



Patti Fadelli, Lynne Wilson and Joyce Fernando, (Acorn)



Betty Jo Olson and Dr. Bert Lubin



Kerry Plain (Garden), Lucy Talbot, Jill Knowland and Carolee Morrison (Hill), Carol Miller (Teak) and Penny Robb (Hill)



Acorn member Lynne Wilson was awarded the prestigious Alice Bullard Award. Pictured here with V.P Kristina Smith, President Lucy Talbot and Acorn president Nina Fadelli.



Teak president Sue Enger and Susan Sperry (Teak)



Bud Branch members with parent coordinator, Eileen Graybeal



Alan Bertillion with Fir Branch members Jackie Bertillion and Dee Farkas, as well as Betty Jo Olson and Lucy Talbot



Board members Carol Miller (Teak) and Kerry Plain (Garden)

Lombardy Pop-up Shopping Event

A gorgeously sunny day-time affair drew guests from all around the East Bay to come together to do some good while having lots of fun shopping, sipping wine and enjoying appetizers. The venue was the lovely Quarry House at Wilder in Orinda, and the occasion was, as always, raising funds for UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland. The women enjoyed filling their shopping bags with Trina Turk's latest fashions and sparkles from two gorgeous jewelry lines.

This lovely Lombardy event brought **\$10,000** in proceeds to benefit the hospital. Congrats!



Guest Linda Rosenthal finding a fun Trina Turk design



Lombardy guests Hillary Cooper and Kia Conn enjoying the festivities



Branches President, Lucy Talbot, with Lombardy member Karla Vukelich

Register Now for Tickets for our All Branches Event!

Registration closes October 4 • Limited number of tickets available

sips
in the city

Saturday October 19
5 - 8:30 pm

Salesforce Tower
415 Mission Street, San Francisco, CA (enter on Fremont Street)
21 and Over Only + Cocktail Attire + Tickets \$250 each

To register and to purchase tickets, visit
childrenshospitalbranches.org
For more information, call 510-428-3355
or email contact@childrenshospitalbranches.org

Presenting the Following Napa & Sonoma Vintners:

Boisset Collection	John Anthony Vineyards
Chateau Montelena Winery	Long Meadow Ranch
DuMol Winery	Longfellow Winery
Ferrari-Carano Vineyards and Winery	O'Brien Estate Winery
Garden Creek Ranch Vineyards	Sarita Estates, Sylvie Wine
Grgich Hills Estate	Spire Collection

5-8:30 pm | Wine Tasting + Cocktails + Food Stations
Interactive VR Goggle Experience
Silent Auction + Raffle + Fund-a-Need
Photo Booth + Live Music Entertainment

5-8:30 pm | Program Presentation by Dr. Kurtis Auguste: "VR in the OR"
A 3D Road Map for Surgery
Raffle Winners Announced

Special Guest | Dr. Mike Anderson
President, UCSF Benioff Children's Hospitals

Sponsorship opportunities still available!

Donations of \$500 - \$10,000+
In appreciation for your tax deductible donation, you/your business will receive these great donor benefits, including:
Complimentary tickets
Publicity on our website
Ad or logo in our Sips in the City Program & Multimedia Presentation
To become a sponsor, please contact Azita Ansari (Rowan) azitaansari@hotmail.com

Raffle and Silent Auction Items still welcome!

Vacation home stays, gift certificates for services, and other items greatly appreciated!
To donate, please contact Carol Miller (Teak) 510-305-8507
or caherrerias@sbcglobal.net



PLEASE READ!

- Valid government issued ID **must** be presented upon entry and name on ID **must** match name on ticket registration **EXACTLY**.
- Registration must be received by 10/4. No name changes will be accepted after this date
- Park in nearby city garages - no parking provided on site

41th Annual NICU Reunion

One bright sunny June afternoon, it was time for the annual NICU reunion again - for the 41st time! Over 125 NICU families joined in the courtyard off the second floor of the hospital. Among the VIP guests were many patient families, their nurses and doctors and flight ambulance nurses. Joining the real superheroes - the patients and medical staff - were movie superheroes such as Black Panther, Spiderman and some Disney Princesses (courtesy of the Peter Pan Foundation). They were boogying down, making this event extra fun for the young crowd. Also in attendance were some of our very own special Winter Ball debbs, who helped with one of the games. Another young generous helper was Jake Proctor of "Jake's Photo Booth", son of Hill Branch Winter Ball co-chair Sydney Proctor. Jake donated his time and equipment to provide his photo booth service. As if all of this wasn't enough, add in food, drinks, DJ music, a giant hamster wheel and games with great prizes -- making this another huge success for the NICU graduates and their families. This event was a very heartwarming one, and re-confirms why the Branches' help is so important to the hospital's young patients. They are definitely very deserving of our support!



Young guests enjoying a cold treat on a very hot day!

Photo credit: Debbie Lee



Peter Pan princess characters sing-along fun with young NICU picnic guests.

Photo credit: Debbie Lee



Lucy Talbot and Sheila Challey with Dotty Walczak, the amazing NICU nurse who first started the NICU picnic reunion in 1978



2019 Winter Ball debbs Caroline Strauch, Chloe Tjogas, Sarah Bone, Anna Lockhart and Lauren Murphy running a spinning prize wheel for the NICU grads

2019 Winter Ball Debbs Hospital Tour



2019 Winter Ball debbs enjoying a hospital tour and visit with Dr. Rosenfeld. From left to right: Chloe Tjogas, Caroline Strauch, Lauren Murphy, Margaret Faust, Dr. Rosenfeld, Roxy Cummings, Sarah Bone and Anna Lockhart.

2019 Winter Ball

Hill Branch members are hard at work planning the 62nd annual Winter Ball, which will be held at the Ritz-Carlton San Francisco on Saturday, December 21st. The black tie evening event includes cocktails, dinner and dancing. Co-Chairs Carol Ann Barber and Sydney Proctor have been working to plan the ball as well as to help coordinate activities for the eleven young women in the 2019 class.

During their hospital tour and first meeting in late March, the deb group completed a graphic facilitation picture of what they hope to accomplish during the year. It was a wonderful opportunity for them to bond as a group. The young women were incredibly inspired by their visit to the hospital. Pediatric Cardiologist Dr. Rosenfeld illustrated the importance of early diagnosis of pediatric heart disease, showing them how the equipment they are fundraising for will make a huge difference in these tiny patients' lives. This piece of equipment, the Neonatal Trans-Esophageal Echograph, allows the cardiologist to evaluate the hearts of even the most fragile preemies and infants. The debbs are so excited to support Children's Hospital with their efforts.

Winter Ball supports the lifesaving work of UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland. Please consider joining Hill Branch for a festive evening and dancing the night away while contributing to a wonderful cause!

*Sarah Anne Bone ~ Roxanne Marie Cummings ~ Margaret Demeter Faust
Elizabeth (Betty) Jean Hosler ~ Andrea Sharon Libby
Anna Josephine Lockhart ~ Lauren Haley McAninch ~ Lauren Isabelle Murphy
Caroline Lily Strauch ~ Chloe Renee Tjogas ~ Lauren Kelly Young*

SAVE THE DATE!!

Hill Branch invites all CHB members and their guests to attend the

62nd Annual Winter Ball

Saturday, December 21, 2019

Ritz Carlton, San Francisco

Cocktail Reception 7pm

Presentation 8:30pm

Dinner and Dancing to follow

Tickets \$375 Age 16-30 \$225

Sponsorships available: \$2,500, \$5,000 and \$10,000

For further information, please contact WBChair@hillbranch.org



CHB President Lucy Talbot, Pediatric Cardiologist Dr. Rosenfeld with young cardiology patient and special Spree VIP guest Valeria, along with CHB VP and Rowan Co-Chair Kristina Smith.



Rowan Shopping Spree guest finding fashions amongst the many vendors who set up shop for the day.



Spree guest having fun



Cardiology Department and Rowan models showing J.McLaughlin clothes

Rowan's Shopping Spree Over \$110,000 for the Branches

May was marvelous for the Rowan Branch's 18th Annual Shopping Spree, Fashion Show and Luncheon! Over 200 women and a few men sipped and browsed the 15 diverse vendor booths, robust silent auction and wonderful raffle items at Diablo Country Club on May 6th.

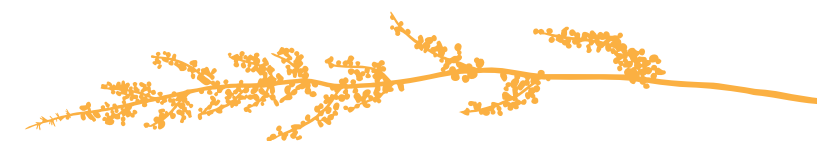
The terrific shopping was followed by a lively game of heads or tails which was won by the delighted guest who went home with a \$250 Nordstrom gift card. Raffle prize winners were thrilled with their bounty.

Fashion was the theme even in the entree. Guests accessorized their own Cobb Salad with a table full of options and enjoyed cupcakes almost too beautiful to eat. Pediatric Cardiologist Dr. Howard Rosenfeld spoke eloquently about the need for a 3D Transesophageal Echocardiogram Probe which would help patients like 5-year-old

Valeria Kastsukevich who was born with half a heart. The fund-a-need for this vital device raised \$45,000! More excitement was had with the Last Bidder game where ladies vied to be the last one to raise their paddle to donate \$100. Paddles were raised over 70 times for a chance to win spa and dining gift cards. In the end, Rowan member Beth Lowe was the tenacious and generous last bidder who went home with these fun gifts.

Valeria and her mom Anna were Rowan's special guests and Valeria even modeled in the fashion show that followed lunch. Seemingly the entire Children's Oakland Cardiology staff, nurses and doctors joined Valeria and Rowan members, modeling clothes from event vendors.

More shopping followed the fashion show. All vendors gave 20% of their day's sales to Rowan. The Spree's 30 Sponsors and over 40 In-Kind donors added greatly to the event's success. In all the event raised \$110,000 for the Branches.



Sunday, November 3, 2019
2:00-4:00 pm
Doors open at 1:00 pm (open seating)

Location: Freight & Salvage Coffeehouse
2020 Addison Street
Berkeley, CA 94704
(parking next door)

Food trucks onsite/snacks available inside

Cacao Branch proudly presents

JAZZ JAM SESSION

Featuring Bay Area Youth Musicians

Enjoy an afternoon showcasing musical talent to fund ongoing lifesaving equipment at UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Oakland



Tickets available July 1, 2019
\$15 Children, \$35 Adults & \$40 at the door

Online Ticket Purchases (Service Fee)
<https://jazzjam.brownpapertickets.com>

Benefiting:



Bud Branch Auction & Raffle

A balmy Friday evening in early May at the Alameda Elks Lodge provided the perfect setting for over 100 guests who joined Bud Branch members for their annual fundraising fashion show and raffle. Attendees were transported into an 'Old Hollywood' theme as they entered the ballroom where they were greeted with abundant hors d'oeuvres and sweets provided by members as well as a delectable array of bites from nearby Gala Bakery, Nothing Bundt Cakes and Lola's Chicken.

Throughout the year, Bud Branch members spent many hours planning the event and showed great leadership in their outreach to local businesses for donations of raffle items which they packaged and displayed beautifully. There were over 30 raffle baskets plus a wine pull raffle. Gardening and spa treatment themes were popular among guests hoping to win, as was a basket of beautiful scarves.

Current Bud Branch President, Haley Graybeal along with member Nyliah Joy-Pigot were outstanding emcees for the event. Beautiful instrumental jazz music floated throughout the ballroom provided by three members of the Saint Joseph Notre Dame High School Band.

Branches President Lucy Talbot welcomed guest speakers James and Tracy Christensen who were interviewed by Kristina Smith, Branches Vice President. Guests

heard the heartfelt journey of James' accident where he was hit by a car while bike riding. James and his mom described the remarkable path to recovery they experienced with the help of the amazing doctors and staff at Children's. Their story resonated with all in attendance, especially the Bud Branch members, who shared that they were very touched by this story.

The highlight of the evening was the fashion show honoring the Bud Branch seniors. Each young woman walked the stage in a formal gown with her escort while the evening's Event Coordinator, Nyliah Joy-Pigot, took to the mic to speak about each girl's high school involvement and what being a Bud Branch member meant to her. For a second walk on the stage, seniors donned sweatshirts of their chosen college they will be attending in the fall and guests heard about the hopes and dreams of these accomplished seniors.

Bud Branch seniors honored were: Hayley Graybeal escorted by Aidan Garza, Caroline Bridges escorted by Claude Robins, Nicole Prislín, escorted by Dan Prislín, Molly Howland escorted by Heath Howland, Anaelle Oiknine escorted by Nate Murphy, Katie McBride, escorted by Thomas Kamplain.

Over the past year, Bud Branch has been fortunate to have the guidance of Branch Advisor, Eileen Graybeal, who has agreed to return to her role for a second year. Branches Board Liaison, Marianne Malenk, was also given heartfelt appreciation by the Bud Branch members for her ongoing help with their fundraising efforts. The event was a great success and Branch members estimate that the funds raised for the hospital will be in the \$5,000 range. Congratulations to Bud Branch on a very successful event!



Nailah Joy Piggot, Zoey Ericson, Caroline Featherstone, Katie McBride, Haley Graybeal, Romi Moore, Chloe Allen, Kisa Iacona, Fiona English, Molly Howland, Nicole Prislín, Catherine Wallace, Annaelle Oiknine, Caroline Bridges, Claude Robins, Thomas Kamplain and Aidan Garza

UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Foundation and Children's Hospital Branches, Inc.

Invite you to the

ALL BRANCHES General Meeting and Luncheon

Tuesday, September 24 2019, 9:30am-1:00pm

9:30 - 10:00 am Coffee & Pastries

10:00 - 11:30 am Program

11:45 am - 1 pm Luncheon

Dr. Howard, M.D., Ph. D. • Critical Care Medicine, PICU

Luncheon provided by UCSF Benioff Children's Hospital Foundation

Questions? Please call office at 510-428-3355

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Please RSVP to your Branch Chair by September 13

Board Member

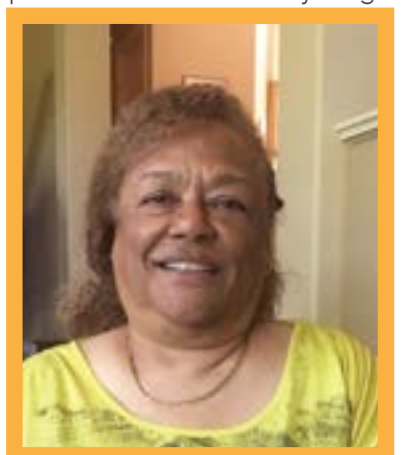
Sandra Carpenter

Sandra is a wonderful addition to the Children's Hospital Branches Board of Directors, joining at the beginning of 2019. Her involvement in the Branches dates back to the 1970's. Her mother, Lufina Wilcox, was one of the very first members of Cacao Branch, and growing up, Sandra helped with the All Branch event "Holiday Bazaar". She fondly remembers helping to make and sell candy jars at the Greek Orthodox Church in Oakland Hills, where that event took place for many years.

Born and raised in Berkeley, Sandra married her husband Roger in 1972 and the couple raised two sons. The young family moved to Arizona and then to Indiana for Roger's work with GE, and after eight years away they settled back in Berkeley. She then joined Cacao as an associate member. Sandra loves to bake and collects dolls from all over the world, many of which have been given to her by her well traveled sons and a custom built doll cabinet is overflowing with their gifts.

In the early years, Cacao used to host an annual luncheon. Times changed, and the Branch shifted its focus and started their annual jazz jam instead. The Jazz Jam was Regina Donaldson's brain-child. High level youth jazz musicians from all around the East Bay come together to perform music for an afternoon. One of the earliest jazz jams featured our beloved Dr. Lubin on drums with his combo.

Currently, Sandra is busy preparing and planning for Cacao's jazz jam which will take place on November 3rd in a new venue this year: Freight & Salvage on Addison Street in downtown Berkeley. Plenty of food truck options before or after will make this a fun Sunday afternoon event! Welcome to the board, Sandra!



Flowering Success for Lilac

Over 200 guests filled the ballroom at Fairfield’s Hilton Garden Inn for a spectacular day of food, fun, and fashion. Co-chairs Julie Parodi and Joyce Spinelli created a festive and elegant Kentucky Derby themed event and guests rose to the occasion by stepping out in their derby best complete with hats and fascinators. The “Run of the Roses” derby theme was displayed throughout the room with tables decorated by Julie DuPuis with red rose overlays and cute black hats with roses and black and white checked bows. Bernie Zuni-no was the prize winner for BEST Derby hat, a beauty she wore to the Kentucky Derby.

Guests enjoyed beverages while deciding which boxes to place their tickets for the many raffle items. Janet Ziser, Patt Tubbs and Linda Doshier, raffle co-chairs, put together a beautiful array of raffle baskets that included amazing wines, a beautiful hand painted wine box, tickets on the Napa Valley Wine Train, and a Run for the Roses shopping spree that included a lovely assortment of gift certificates.

During cocktails and raffle viewing, guests also had the opportunity to witness a demonstration by Katie Sabato, Inhalation therapist at Children’s, who explained how the heliox adaptor for respiratory treatment of patients with severe breathing problems provides a significant improvement in the delivery of asthma medications. During a delicious lunch, all guests had the opportunity to hear Dr. Howard of Children’s Emergency Department speak on these benefits of the heliox machine and how there are many instances at the hospital where multiple adaptors are needed but the department does not have them. Guests were asked to help fund another heliox machine to meet the critical needs of Dr. Howard’s department. With the help of those in attendance, the dedicated members of Lilac raised \$12,000 in their Fund A Need for the purchase of a Respiratory Heliox adaptor!

The lovely Helen Lyall once again thrilled guests with her beautiful models wearing sought after fashions from her Napa store. Co-chair Julie Parodi’s husband, Tom, along with Lilac friends Gil and Michael, looked dashing in clothing from the Napa shops of Scott Lyall and Williamson & Company. Lilac also appreciated the help of Cecile, Stacy, and D'Auna from Westamerica Bank for processing payments and handling event monies.



Lilac members donning their derby finest



Children's Hospital Branches V.P. Kristina Smith, President Lucy Talbot and two past Branches Board Presidents Betty Jo Olson and Ann Tucker



Model Flavia Cesa having fun showing off colorful shoes and outfit



Friend of Lilac, Luda Havens



Guests parusing beautiful raffle baskets



Lilac event co-chairs Julie Parodi and Joyce Spinelli

Holiday Fun



Please join us in Bambino on November 10th from 12 noon to 3:30 pm for some fun and fund-raising for our hospital. Bring your shopping loving friends with you!

Family House

Thank you for your continuous support! Items most needed at the moment are:

- Powdered Laundry Detergent
- Disinfectant/Sanitizing Wipes
- Zip-Lock bags (gallon, 2 gallon, quart, snack and sandwich sizes)
- Aluminium foil and Saran Wrap
- Garbage liners (small unscented 4 gallon size)
- 8 oz. coffee cups w/ lids
- Toilet paper and paper towels
- Orange juice/breakfast juices, milk (half gallon and quart sizes fit best in Family House refrigerators)
- Individually wrapped tea bags
- Sugar and creamer packets
- FROZEN Brown 'N Serve breakfast sausage links
- Single serving breakfast cereal
- SPECIAL ITEM NEEDED: 1 NEW flat screen TV 50" plus to be mounted on the wall

Gift cards for Trader Joe's, Target, Costco and Safeway, Bed, Bath & Beyond are always welcome!

Items can be dropped off at
5222 Dover Street, Oakland CA, 94609

(510) 428-3100

Acorn Branch Rocks the NICU

For many years, Acorn has held their well-remembered Italian Dinner Night fundraiser and last year they filled the Berkeley Country Club for a 60th Anniversary celebration of their branch. For a change of pace this year, the Acorn members, under the leadership of chairman Nina Fadelli, launched a letter writing campaign to their staunch supporters asking them to step up once again for Acorn's fundraising efforts. Acorn's supporters did just that and in a short period of time raised in excess of \$10,000 for the purchase of rocking chairs designated for the NICU. Thank you, Acorn members, for providing these items that bring so much comfort to families and staff who are caring for the hospital's most sensitive patients.



Bambino Shop Team Much More Than a Thrift Shop

Bambino Shop is a meeting place for old friends, a place to find a bargain high quality piece of furniture or household item, a shop where donations can be dropped off and you can trust it's for a good cause. Run by shop manager Lani Rambaoa and supported by 56 volunteers, the shop is a buzzing hub of activity Monday through Saturday. Mondays the shop closed, but the shop is far from quiet. This is the day when lost of items are sorted and priced.

In addition to Branches members (Chinquapin, Teak and Garden), there are also many community volunteers who dedicate countless hours per week to picking up goods, sorting, pricing and decorating to prepare the in-store environment. Such dedication is incredibly inspiring! Bambino has a strong relationship with Vicki and Barbara, owners of Beehive Estate Sales. Whenever Beehive works on an estate sale for their client, Vicki will connect with Colleen Lund and Susan Sperry who have 'first dibs' on any goodies that didn't sell during the first estate sale. Every Monday morning, Colleen and Susan head out to scoop up items that can later be sold at Bambino.

Donations come in from other committed long term donors as well. One of them is Dee Farkas, a Fir Branch member. One of the activities these members enjoy is to

collect for Bambino. Dee collects donations in her garage and on a regular basis one of the volunteers from the shop picks up in a truck or van and drives everything to the shop for sorting and pricing. Currently, The Bambino team is looking for more volunteers on Saturdays, they are always looking for donations, and they are busy preparing for the private shopping event in November.



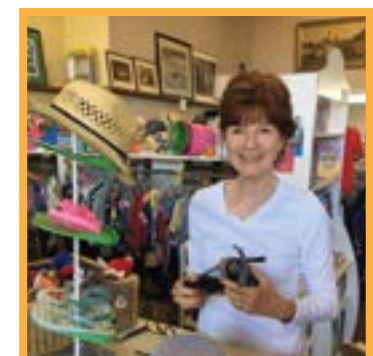
Matt and Al Talbot with Bambino co-manager Carol Miller, unloading donations collected by Dee Farkas



Colleen Lund and Susan Sperry (Teak), picking up goodies for the shop from one of the Beehive estate pick-up events



Shop co-manager Carol Miller (Teak) and volunteer going through donations at Bambino Shop



Gail Taylor (Chinquapin) putting finishing touches on a display



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UPCOMING BRANCH EVENTS

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| September 24, 2019 (Tuesday) | All Branches Meeting & Luncheon | All Branches |
| CHORI Library 9:30 am - 1pm, RSVP to Branch Chair by September 13 | | |
| September 28, 2019 (Saturday) | Octoberfest | Lombardy |
| October 19, 2019 (Saturday) | "Sips in the City" Wine Tasting | All Branches |
| Salesforce Tower 61st Floor (Ohana floor), San Francisco 5 pm - 8:30 pm | | |
| Tickets \$250 Register by October 4. <i>Valid government issued photo ID for entry.</i> | | |
| <i>Name on ID must exactly match name on registration.</i> Tickets and registration: childrenshospitalbranches.org | | |
| November 3, 2019 (Sunday) | Jazz Jam | Cacao |
| Freight & Salvage, 2020 Addison Street, Berkeley. 2 - 4 pm Featuring Bay Area youth musicians | | |
| Tickets: \$15 Children, \$35 Adults & \$40 at the door | | |
| Online Ticket Purchases (Service Fee) https://jazzjam.brownpapertickets.com | | |
| November 10, 2019 (Sunday) | Bambino Holiday Boutique | Bambino |
| Bambino Thrift Shop 12-3:30pm Private Shopping for Branch Members & V.I.P. | | |
| December 21, 2019 (Saturday) | Winter Ball | Hill |
| Ritz-Carlton, San Francisco 7pm | | |
| No host bar. Complimentary champagne and light hors d'oeuvres, presentation, dinner and dancing | | |
| Tickets \$375 (Guests age 16-30 \$225) For more information, email WBChair@hillbranch.org | | |