



# SPOTLIGHT

May 2020



Steve Soukup, Editor

## Conejo Ski & Sports Club Newsletter

### President's Message



**G**reetings CSSC Members - Hope you are doing well and surviving the issues related to this pandemic. They sure have given us time and make us focus on things we have generally taken for granted. I've had cleared out some files, worked in my yard and truly miss being out and about. I've spent the month of April getting to know myself a little better and working on projects that were just daydreams months ago.

Well folks, this is my last Newsletter article so I want to bring you some good news. I wish I could let you know when we will be able to meet again. Sadly, like you, all I can do is watch the news and hope for the best. I can tell you that when we return to our regular meeting schedule, you won't want to miss out. **We will have a new Board of Directors led by your new President-Margaret Barnett, Executive VP-Lou Patalano, Treasurer-Grace Szczeboit, VP Membership-Ramona Rowen, Secretary-Nancy Hulihan, VP Activities-Carolyn Phillips, VP Social-Sandy Palmer, VP Mammoth-Gary Huettinger, VP Out of State Skiing-Chuck Ames, VP Web Design/Marketing-Charlie Bornhauser/ Bill Welty and VP Newsletter-Steve Soukup.**

I am also honored to recognize and congratulate this year's **Man and Woman of the year--Ted Zalta and Cathy Kaufman.** Both have put in tireless hours to make the events that they help run incredibly successful. We are very fortunate to have them as members of our organization.

Thank You all for working with this year's election process and voting by Survey Monkey. It appeared to have worked pretty well and we were able to meet the election guidelines according to our by-laws. This was a little different than in the past, but I think it worked incredibly well.

As I move on, I want to thank all of you for supporting me in the last two years that I have served as your President. We had some great trips and activities. I think we all had lots of fun. I have been my privilege to lead this amazing club. It looks like we have some great ideas for activities in the months ahead. Like you, I want to be part of them. Let's hope that we will all soon be able to reassemble and enjoy all that life has to offer.

Jim Robertson, President



### Upcoming Activities in May

May 01	May Day
May 02	Free Comic Book Day
May 05	Cinco de Mayo
May 08	"Have a Coke" Day
May 10	MOTHER'S DAY
May 13	Joint Board Meeting (via ZOOM)
May 25	MEMORIAL DAY
May 29	National Paperclip Day



### Recurring Activities

Tuesdays	Volleyball
(Only during Daylight Savings—NOW through October)	
Wednesdays	Bridge (2nd & 4th)
Fridays	Pickleball

If you are attending one of our CSSC events, please print & sign the waiver on page 4 & bring it to the event you are attending.

### Club Meetings

are held Bi-Monthly  
1st & 3rd  
Wednesdays of  
the Month  
6:30 - 8:00 pm  
Social time

UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

**CANCELLED**



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# May 2020



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# June 2020



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28	29	30				



## May Birthdays

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Julie Sende

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Susan McGraw

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Gary Bowen

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Warren Wegerer

02

Jennifer Anderson

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Sheree Millholin

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Russell Barstad

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Carl Alaniz

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Hilary Seeley

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Jessika Neuhauser

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Don Clemens

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Julie Apfelbaum

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Kirsten Dolan

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Walter Zlotnicki

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Steve Ernst

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Eilene Tighe-Stage

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Lya Momat

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Mark Crough

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Gerrie Stanford

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Craig Stelck

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Gregory Imel

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Peter Hamlett

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Linda Mueller

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Kay Milford

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Craig Nielsen

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Dennis Fandey

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Bill Welty

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Tony Dean

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Gary Huettinger

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Richard Murray

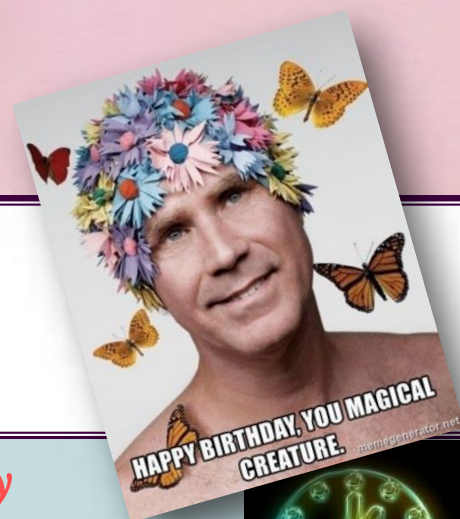
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Sharon Hanson

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Roberta McComas

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**NONE!!!**

**No Meetings / No New Activities = No New Members**



## Renewals Due in May

Tony Dean

Cheri Miller

Kate Radonic

Marc Doerner

Robert Miller

Bob Rowan

Seiko Fujikawa

Shirloo Minshell

Christine Schultz

Steve Fujikawa

Lya Momat

Lynnette Shifman

Kathy Gibson

Gail Morales

Sue Smith

Helena Gratland-Mazzocco

Erin O'Connell

Peter Vajna

Lou Infuso

Lou Patalano

Pam Vine

Kim Lane

Carole Peterson

Joseph Wang

Bob Mazzocco

Dan Petrula

Ronnie Weinberger

Bob McDonald

Kathy Ziegler

YOUR TIMELY RENEWALS DURING THE COVID-19 LOCK-DOWN ARE MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER TO HELP THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEET THE ONGOING OPERATING EXPENSES NECESSARY TO PLAN FOR FUTURE TRAVEL, CAMPING AND SKI TRIPS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES ONCE THEY CAN RESUME SOMETIME THIS SUMMER INTO FALL, INCLUDING NEXT WINTER'S SKI SEASON. THANK YOU.

**It's that time of year, so don't let your membership lapse!**  
**Mail your dues in by the 1st or contact the VP of Membership, Ramona Rowan**

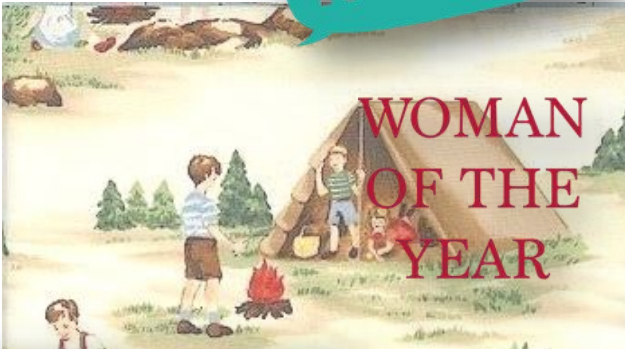
# Elections

## *Elections for Board of Directors 2020-21*

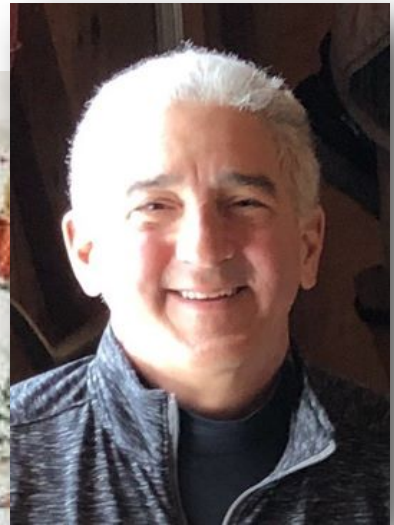
YOUR NEWLY ELECTED BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS SHOWN ON PAGES 14 & 15 OF THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE THANK AND WELCOME THEM. ALSO PLEASE NOTE THE **NEW GMAIL CONTACTS** FOR EACH OFFICER TO BE USED IN LIEU OF THEIR PERSONAL EMAIL ACCOUNTS FOR ALL CLUB BUSINESS. THESE NEW GMAIL ACCOUNTS WILL PROVIDE CONTINUITY IN COMMUNICATIONS THROUGH SUCCESSIVE BOARDS.



**TED  
ZALTA**



**CATHY  
KAUFMAN**



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-CANCELLED  
CANCELLED

# THIS IS THE NEW NORMAL

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What is happening?  
Humans are all wearing muzzles.



Don't leave home without it!



The **AMERICAN  
DISTRESS** Card

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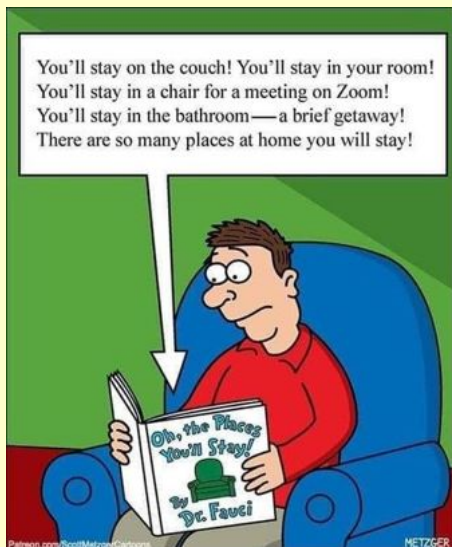


Welcome to the...  
**'New Normal'**

Quarantine has turned  
us all into dogs. We  
roam the house all day  
looking for food. We  
are told 'no' if we get  
too close to strangers.  
And we get really  
excited about car  
rides.



# THIS IS THE NEW NORMAL



Breaking news:

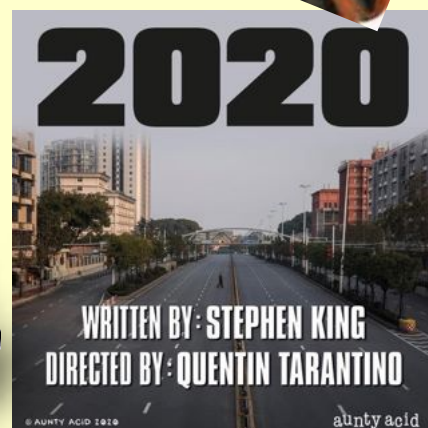
A new supply chain shortage hits the intimate apparel industry!



"YOU DON'T KNOW THE POWER OF THE DARK SIDE."

It's like being 16 again  
Gas is cheap and I'm Grounded.

Welcome to the...  
**'New Normal'**





Conejo Ski & Sports Club  
**YOSEMITE**  
**National Park Trip**  
**June 5-8, 2020**



**Join us for our 32<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL trip to Curry Village**

Join us for a little slice of heaven, in the extremely beautiful Yosemite Valley. Tent cabins come furnished with beds, sheets, blankets, pillows and an outside food locker (bring your own lock). Other amenities include a swimming pool, shower & bathroom facilities, a general store, and a pavilion with a variety of dining options. The easiest way to get around Yosemite is on a bicycle, but if you prefer, there is free shuttle service that goes to all Yosemite Valley locations and trail heads.

Explore by hiking one of the numerous trails (all levels from easy to strenuous), or bicycling around the village (no e-bikes). You can also float down the Merced River, assuming the water level is not too high, in a rented raft, or bring your own raft or tube. We might even play some volleyball or corn hole.

***Transportation to Yosemite is on your own or by carpool, which you will arrange.***

**Covid-19 Update:**

Yosemite National Park is currently closed until further notice and our club reservation still remains a muddle.

As of April 30th, Julianne reports, "I am working closely with Yosemite, almost daily, to see if the trip is still viable."



After exploring all day, join us for Happy Hour each evening (BYOB)

**Appetizers will be provided**



**DOUBLE CABINS - \$275 pp**  
**TRIPLE CABINS - \$210 pp**  
**QUAD CABINS - \$175 pp**

***Must be a club member***

**Contact Julianne Seeley for more information (805) 722-2921**

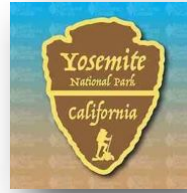
Sign up at a club meeting or mail your check payable to CSSC to:

**Julianne Seeley · 4962 Via Fresco · Camarillo · 93012**

***Cancellation Policy: No Refunds without replacement of same sex as you. \$30 cancellation fee if replacement is found.***

## INFORMATION SHEET FOR YOSEMITE

If you're interested in carpooling to Yosemite, contact Julianne for a list of those attending so you can try to work out your own carpool.



### GETTING TO YOSEMITE

Take the 101 South to the I-5 North

Take the turn off to CA-99 toward Fresno

Exit at the CA-41 north to Yosemite

There is an entry fee of **\$35 per car to get into Yosemite. With NP Senior pass it is free.**

Continue to Yosemite Valley and follow the signs to Half Dome Village .

- Upon arrival, check in at the Registration Desk.
- Keys to your cabin will be available on **Friday after 4:00 p.m.**
- If you'd like help getting your luggage to your cabin, ask for assistance when you check in. One of the staff will meet you in the parking lot with a golf cart to load up your luggage (Please tip nicely as we find they love CSSC because we take care of them).

### WHAT TO BRING

- Hiking Boots and Tennis Shoes, hiking poles
- Folding Chair (for evening happy hours)
- Bicycle and helmet (w/locks). This is a club event. Helmets MUST be worn if on a bicycle.
- Swim suit (pool and raft trips)
- Camera
- Flashlight. Socket adaptor to provide an outlet source (Julianne will provide photo later).
- Casual clothes (or dressier for optional meals at the Ahwahnee Hotel)
- Board games, books, cards, etc.
- Inflatable raft to float down the river (if you don't want to rent one)
- Bottled waters, drinks, **BYOB** (wine or your choice of libation)
- Since there is no cooking allowed in the camp, expect to eat out (various restaurants, buffets, etc).
- If you want to bring food, a bear locker is available at each tent-cabin (small ice chests fit in the lockers). You need to bring your own lock. NO FOOD IS ALLOWED IN THE CABINS! Be sure to follow the storage rules as there are **BEARS**.
- *Sheets, blankets, and pillows are provided* (you may bring your sleeping bag or ask for additional blankets at check-in).
- *Towels are also provided* (but you may want to bring your own).

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- We will be coordinating various hikes, bike rides, rafting adventures, and possibly a pool party or two. We will distribute information on the activities prior to the trip and there will be signs posted in our group cabin area with the times and meeting locations. Please volunteer to lead.
- Appetizers will be provided for the Happy Hour get-togethers at the end of each day.
- There is free shuttle offered to/from all destinations in Yosemite Valley. Tram or bus tours are also available, for a fee, the valley floor and to Glacier Point, and a tram tour at Mariposa Grove of Giant Sequoias near Wawona. Horseback tours are also available.

# Monterey

....it's all about the journey....train, kayak, E-bike.

**July 9-13, 2020**

**5 days/4 nights/ 9 meals**

**\$1,225 PP DOUBLE OCC**

**Includes First Class RT Rail Fare from  
Oxnard to Monterey  
with Private Roomette on**

## Amtrak's Coast Starlight

### Included Monterey adventures:

1. 2 1/2 hour Kayaking tour in the Elkhorn Slough observing sea otters, sea lions, jellies, and myriad sea birds—includes an opportunity to continue kayaking on your own after tour;
2. Meander up and down the hills of Pebble Beach on our guided E-bike tour along the legendary scenic 17-Mile Drive;
3. Historical walking tour of Monterey & Cannery Row;
4. Three glorious hours of food, drink, history, camaraderie, and an insider's view in our 1-stop food and wine tour of Carmel-by-the-Sea;
5. Admission to the world-class Monterey Bay Aquarium;
6. All tips for guides

We'll stay at the lovely Boutique Hotel in Monterey, junior suites equipped with private bathroom and dining areas, and balcony or patio. Breakfast included in this tour. Dinner and wine included at Fisherman's Wharf and Cannery Row. Appetizers and wine included on Friday and Saturday.

### ALL ABOARD

for your First Class experience on one of the most scenic rail routes in our country—the Coast Starlight. Enjoy stunning vistas as we hug the coast through Santa Barbara, balance the trestles over Refugio, ride the cliffsides of Point Conception through Vandenberg and Lompoc, then turn inland toward SLO, Paso, and onto the vast and fertile Salinas Valley drinking in spectacular natural beauty along the way.

Relax with a glass of wine in your private room in Amtrak's Superliner Sleeping car or join others for conversation and observation and public use for conversation, a round of drinks, games, and a wine & cheese tasting. A delicious lunch and dinner is included.

Amtrak's Coast Starlight is comfortable, relaxing, and a fun alternative to flying or driving. No one must take this epic journey at least once in their lifetime.

**SOLD OUT!**

Leader: Carolyn Phillips — 805-796-7015  
phillipscaroc@gmail.com

18 Places Available (Lottery if needed)

Sign-ups on Feb. 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

\$400 deposit due at sign up. Final payment due May 1, 2020.

\$400 is non-refundable without replacement.

No refunds after May 15, 2020 unless replacement found.

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## CANADA/NEW ENGLAND STATES FALL FOLIAGE CRUISE

OCTOBER 7-16, 2020 CSSC CST # 2109794 & Vacations to Go CST # 2043190

We will arrive in Quebec City mid-morning on October 8<sup>th</sup> and head off for a special Ile d'Orleans Tour (possibly with wine tastings at a vineyard or two) for the afternoon. We then check into our 4-star hotel, the Courtyard by Marriott in Quebec City (which is only 3 years old and even has a Starbucks located inside for those diehard coffee lovers). Welcome Dinner at the hotel with wine is included. All rooms include 2 queen beds. The next morning after having our included breakfast, we check out and head off to our pre-selected bike or city walking tour. One bike tour is a flat 16 miles, and goes to the famous **Montmorency Falls**, with stops at points of interest along the way. When we arrive at the bottom of the falls, we'll take a cable car to the top of the cliff, for a breathtaking view of the falls. We will walk over to a suspended bridge where there is a panoramic view of the Saint Lawrence Seaway. The other bike tour is the Lower Town tour, and is a flat 8 miles of fabulous site seeing in the historical district and heritage sites, exploring some of the more revitalized neighborhoods and plunging into the heart of the French Quebecois culture, with a stop at a Farmers Market with local products and tastings (we must have a minimum of 6 guests for this tour). There is an option for an "E" bike for an additional fee of approximately \$20. For those that feel they just can't do any biking, you will be included in a walking tour of the historical city (we must have a minimum of 4 guests for this tour). After our tours we will be picked up by our private coach and taken to the port to board our cruise ship, the **Norwegian Gem** and sail for the next 7 days. Our cruise ship will stop at the following places:

Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island; Sydney, Nova Scotia; Halifax, Nova Scotia; Bar Harbor, Maine and Portland, Maine. We disembark the ship in Boston.

The below prices include breakfast and private coach. The below prices include air. Air is not available for

Inside cabin double occupancy: \$436.79  
Inside cabin single occupancy: \$436.79

Outside cabin with balcony: \$436.79  
Outside cabin with ocean view: \$436.79

Balcony cabin double occupancy: \$436.79  
Balcony cabin single occupancy: \$436.79

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Built in 2007, and updated in 2015, The **Norwegian Gem** is one of the smaller ships in the Norwegian fleet. The ship boasts 15 dining venues, ranging from the 24-hour O'Sheehan's pub, to seven specialty restaurants. The ship's Stardust Theatre, which is always packed, presents nightly Broadway and Vegas Style productions, comedy and magic acts, and a Cirque du Soleil style aerial thriller including gymnastics, acrobatics and bungee jumpers. Evening and late-night attractions include 50's/60's dance and comedy show, the Not-So-Newlywed game, and the Liars Club. The Spinakers Lounge is a big favorite for people of the 60's and 70's with a great rock and roll band. The ship has an attractive casino with two hundred video games and slot machines, including penny slots, and crap tables offering Las Vegas style betting odds.

We will also plan some club exclusive events on the ship, such as our own private cocktail party and some club exclusive optional land excursions in each port.

To sign up, write out a deposit check of \$300 per person made out to **CSSC**. Print out & complete the Sign-up form and waiver form found on the CSSC website and mail it along with a copy of your passport to Julianne Seeley 4962 Via Fresco, Camarillo, CA 93012. Contact info: [julianne.seeley@brightview.com](mailto:julianne.seeley@brightview.com) or 805-722-2921.

# Thailand with a Twist

A custom, action-packed itinerary developed specifically for members of Conejo Ski & Sports Club who are looking for just the right combination of outdoor adventure, cultural exploration and relaxation.

**Nov. 20 to Dec. 2, 2020 - 12 days plus 3-night extension to December 5, 2020**

We'll begin by exploring bustling Bangkok, then jet up north to Thailand's "cultural heart" where we'll spend five days exploring its rugged mountains, lush jungles, diverse peoples, and authentic Thai culture by bathing baby elephants, visiting temples & hill tribes, cooking Thai food, jungle trekking, ziplining with gibbons, hiking, and so much more! Then we'll fly 1,000 miles south to the tropics to relax, or pump it up, with snorkeling, diving, island hopping, white water rafting, and kayaking options along the white sand beaches of Krabi before heading home or on to our Khao Sok extension. In Khao Sok, we'll "tree camp" in one of the oldest and most diverse rainforests on earth, home of the world's largest flower, wild elephants, and hundreds of limestone karsts jutting above the emerald hue water of Khao Sok lake. Then onto Phuket Island for an evening where those with an open-mind and sense of humor might opt for an after-dark stroll down Bangla Road to explore its nightclubs, bars, and unique nocturnal festivities.



• 2 nights Bangkok • 1 night Chiang Rai • 4 nights Chiang Mai • 3 nights Krabi Town  
++Extension: • 2 nights Khao Sok. • 1 night Phuket **Trip Leader: Carolyn Phillips**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buddhist Temples - Bangkok</li> <li>• Railway Market or Umbrella Market</li> <li>• The Grand Palace - ancient Siamese Court</li> <li>• Floating Market - Bangkok</li> <li>• Tuk night food tour (Bangkok - optional)</li> <li>• Hall of Opium</li> <li>• Visit of tea plantation</li> <li>• Boat trip on the Mae Klong River</li> <li>• Golden Temple, borders of Thailand, Myanmar and Laos</li> <li>• Wat Rong Khun Temple - white and gold</li> <li>• Maekrajan Wildlife Sanctuary</li> <li>• Gibbon Zipline excursion - 12 ziplines, 30 stations, 3 sky bridges with gibbons (optional, see pg. 3)</li> <li>• Chiang Dao Cave exploration</li> <li>• Krabi town with its white sand beaches</li> <li>• Orchid farm</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural Cycling tour "Color of Chiang Mai" ½ day (optional, see detailed itinerary)</li> <li>• Cultural experience in Karen, Palong, and Lahu hill tribe villages</li> <li>• Wat Phra Singh, morning temple tour</li> <li>• Butterfly sanctuary</li> <li>• Jungle trekking at Doi Inthanon National Park (optional, see detailed itinerary)</li> <li>• Local Hill Tribe meal</li> <li>• "Kantok Dinner" featuring local specialties and tribal singing and dancing</li> <li>• Patara Elephant Sanctuary - bath a baby elephant!</li> <li>• Private cooking class or Thai cookery school</li> <li>• Farewell dinner in Chiang Mai</li> <li>• Extension: Khao Sok National Park and Phuket Island</li> </ul> |
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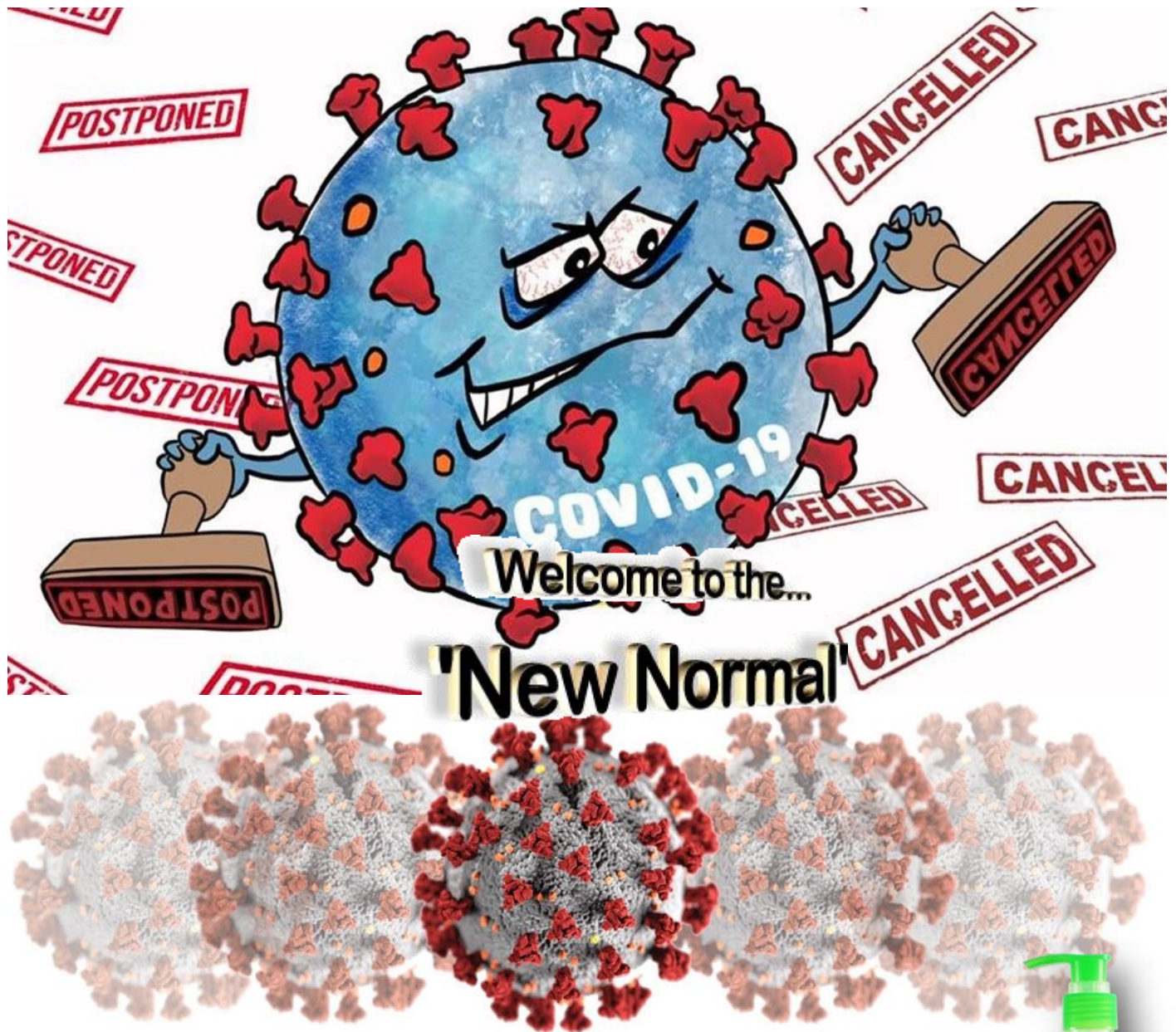
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to play with your friends,  
Go wash your hands!





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Members are invited to attend Board meetings on  
the **2nd Wednesday** of the month.



**Conejo Ski & Sports Club, 3435 Thousand Oaks Blvd. #6276, Westlake Village, CA 91359**



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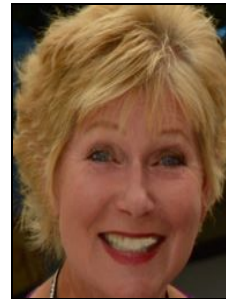
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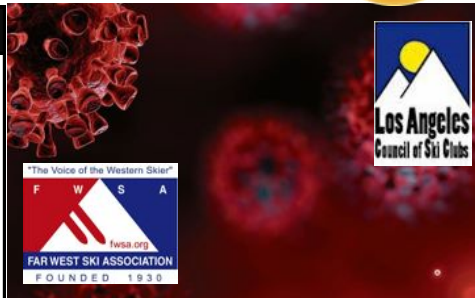
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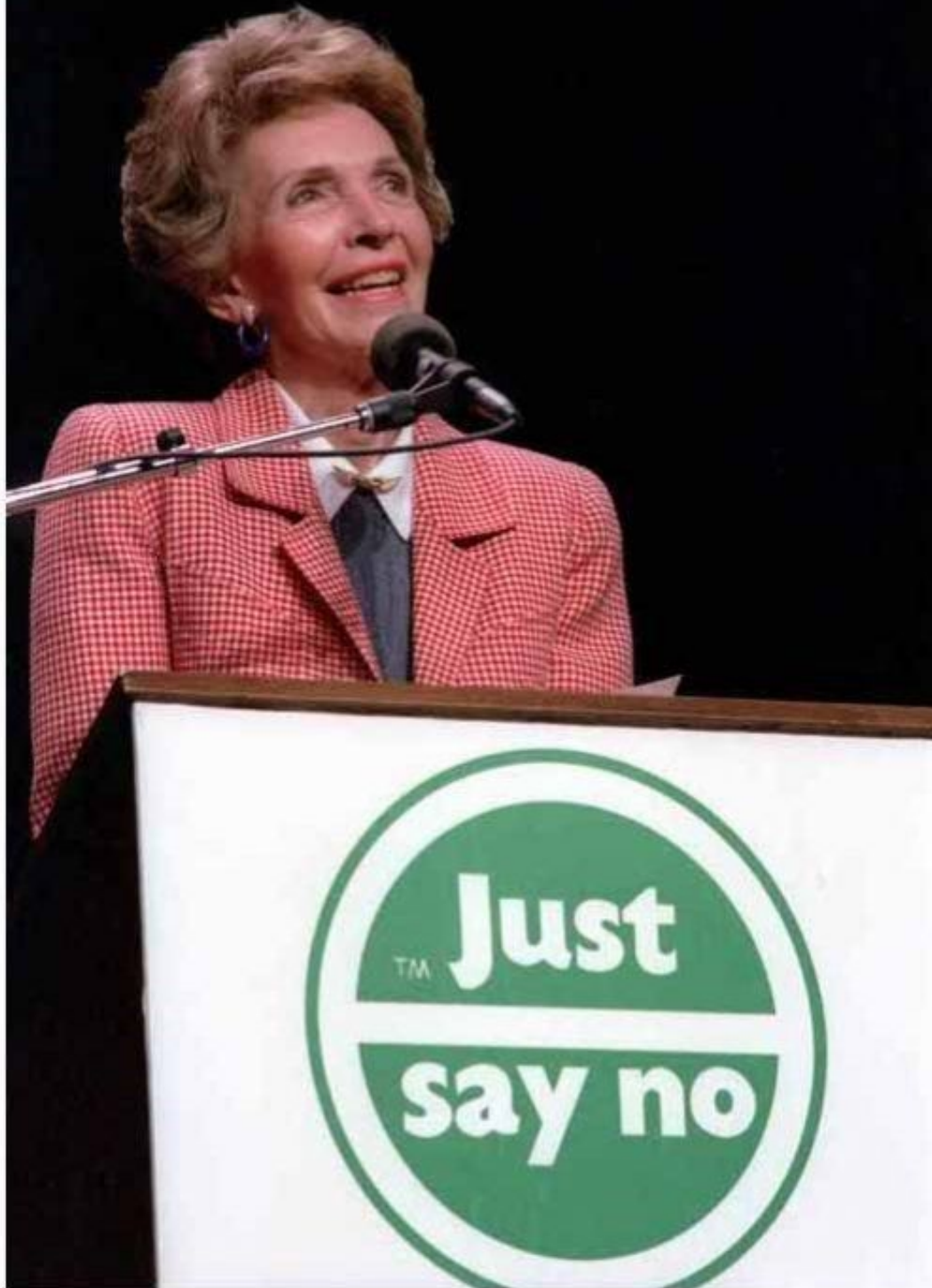


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**to Covid-19**