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A Series of Events
July 10 - August 30, 2009

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The Pleasure of Your Company 2009

The **New West Symphony League** is pleased to present a third showcase of delightful events. These 28 exciting gatherings, between June 6 and August 30, offer the best of dining, special programs and music.

Choose as many of these unique experiences as you like, fill out the response card and mail it early. Parties will be booked on a “first come, first served” basis and they will sell out quickly.

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Event #19

Tantalizing Tea Party . . . with Tales of Jewels

At this unique tea party in a gorgeous North Ranch home, you'll learn the history of one of the most famous jewelry shops on Rodeo Drive. The Queen of Rodeo Drive is a book written about Frances Klein by her daughter, Karen Dean Fritts. Karen tells how Frances, at age 50, with only an eighth grade education, started a business and became one of the stars of Rodeo Drive. Frances helped create the revival of estate jewelry in the 1970s and was the first in Los Angeles to sell and collect the original bejeweled *Judith Leiber* handbags.

Karen will tell fascinating stories of her mother and the biggest names in Hollywood. Come and "play" with Karen's beautiful collection! A sumptuous full English Tea will be served.



Hosted by Karen Dean Fritts

Wednesday, August 5, 2009

2:00 - 5:00 pm

Limited to 12 guests

\$100 per person

(\$50 may be tax-deductible)

WAIT LIST ONLY!

August 5

Event #20

Welcome Opera Buffs!

Once again our generous hostess, Ann Randall, will open her lovely home to us - this time to listen to a talk on *The Barber of Seville*. Wine and substantial hors d'oeuvres will be served on her deck with a beautiful view of Camarillo.

You will have an opportunity to take part in a raffle for two orchestra seats to see the Los Angeles Opera production of *The Barber of Seville*, starring Juan Diego Flores, on Sunday, December 6. Don't miss the chance to learn more about this popular opera and visit with fellow opera buffs.



Hosted by Ann Randall

Friday, August 7, 2009

6:00 - 8:30 pm

Limited to 30 guests

\$60 per person

(\$30 may be tax-deductible)

August 7

Event #21

Visions of America

Be among the first to hear Joe Sohm's talk, Visions of America, focusing on his 30-year journey to capture the 50 States in images, essays and music. His multi-media presentation, projected onto a 65" plasma screen, will feature incredible photographs of our magnificent country.

In addition, you will see excerpts from his innovative World Premier concerts earlier this year in Philadelphia featuring Peter Nero, the Philly Pops orchestra, Patti Austin's songs and narration by Clint Eastwood.

You'll enjoy wine and dessert in the Sohms' new studio near Ojai. To top all of this, you will have an opportunity to buy Joe's gorgeous book, with the theme "photographing democracy", which Joe will sign for you. A portion of book sales will be donated to New West Symphony.

It's almost impossible to fully describe the impact this presentation will make on you, so you'll just have to attend and find out for yourself!



Hosted by Joe & Leslie Sohm

Sunday August 9, 2009

4:00 - 7:00 pm

Limited to 25 guests

\$65 per person

(\$30 may be tax-deductible)

August 9

Event #22

The Joy of Succulents

Join us for a fascinating morning as Michael Tardif, owner of *Plant Picasso*, takes us on a stroll through his magnificent collection of succulents. Marvel at the subtle colors and seductive textures of these drought-tolerant, easy-to-grow plants. Whether you want to replant an area in your garden or just add several container succulent mini-gardens, Michael's "how-to" demonstration makes it easy. Take home your new knowledge and create your own succulent work of art! You'll delight in seeing your plants grow, bloom and multiply as you join the water conservation trend in gardening.

Container gardens will be available for purchase, with a portion of the profits donated to NWS.

A flavorful lunch in Michael's Newbury Park garden will be the finale for this truly special event.



Hosted by Michael Tardif & Kathy Gilbert

Wednesday, August 12, 2009

10:30 am - 1:00 pm

WAIT LIST ONLY!

Limited to 18 guests

\$45 per person

(\$25 may be tax-deductible)

August 12

Event #23

Andalucian Dinner and Rare Pottery Presentation

Come join us high above Camarillo at the beautiful Rancho Santa Vista home of Carol and Bob Lamb, where you'll be captivated by displays of the early days of the Ranchos and the famous Camarillo family saddles. Explore the beauty of Andalucia in southern Spain through your hosts' personal collection of ceramics - works of four famous artists whose pieces are also owned by the Spanish Royal Family and the Vatican. The rich history from the Moorish occupation in 700 AD to present times has shaped the artists' imaginations in the provinces of Malaga and Jaen.

Carol will take you on a tour through her collection and then serve you an incredible, authentic four-course Andalucian dinner. The sunset views from their hilltop home overlooking their avocado and citrus orchards will delight you. ¡*Buen Provecho!*



Hosted by Bob & Carol Lamb and John & Carol Lamb

Saturday, August 15, 2009

5:00 - 8:00 pm

Limited to 20 guests

\$95 per person

(\$40 may be tax-deductible)

August 15

Event #24

La Dolce Vita

You will feel you're visiting Italy when Karen Towner prepares one of her famous gourmet feasts. Her authentic Italian recipes, including a *ricotta torta* unique to Bologna, will be incorporated into a four-course meal with imported Italian wine.

If you've been to Italy, this feast will bring back wonderful vacation memories! You will be greeted with martinis and *antipasti* and proceed from there to enjoy a fantastic evening in the Towners' beautiful Ventura home. *Buon appetito!*



Hosted by Terry & Karen Towner

Sunday, August 16, 2009

5:00 - 8:00 pm

Limited to 6 guests

\$95 per person

(\$50 may be tax-deductible)

August 16

Event #25

Delight Your Every Sense with a Tahoe Retreat

Come enjoy the alpine beauty of Lake Tahoe at the beautiful, spacious *Dancing Deer Lodge* home of Stan and Marilyn Sutton. Cruise the crystal blue waters with your gracious and fun-loving hosts and learn the history of the region with visits to such places as:

- the secluded Thunderbird Lodge built by eccentric San Francisco real estate magnate, George Whittell
- Vikingsholm, located in Emerald Bay, one of the most scenic areas of the entire United States
- the 3-story mansion of Isaias Hellman, completed in 1903 and now known as the Ehrman Mansion.

You'll have time to languish in the hot tub while sipping a refreshing drink. Relax, read, play a game of cards or participate in more active games such as badminton, horseshoes or croquet. For your pleasure, your hosts are planning an evening of live music.

The pièce de résistance: savory meals provided by gourmet chef Jo-Ann Gordon.



Hosted by Stan & Marilyn Sutton

August 17, 18, 19 (6 guests)
OR August 19, 20, 21 (6 guests)

\$1000 per person
(*\$500 may be tax-deductible*)

August 17-19 or 19-21

Event #26

Mozart - Not!

Enjoy a fun and relaxing afternoon at spacious Catalina Hall in beautiful University Village in Thousand Oaks. Craig Zobelein, who sings, dances and acts, will play popular songs and themes on the amazing *Roland Atelier* organ. His humorous and clever prowess will delight and amuse guests of all ages. Invite your grandkids to come along!

Hors d'oeuvres, wine and other beverages will add to your pleasure. Park at nearby California Lutheran University; a shuttle bus will be provided for your convenience.



Hosted by Craig & Jennifer Zobelein

Sunday, August 23, 2009

3:00 - 5:00 pm

Limited to 50 guests

Location: University Village Catalina Hall

\$40 per person, \$15 for children under 12

(\$20 may be tax-deductible for adults, \$8 for children)

August 23

Event #27

Hawaii Calls

E komo mai! (Welcome!)

Come experience the caress of warm breezes and the spirit of aloha right here in Westlake Village. Enjoy a sumptuous Hawaiian feast, including your favorite tropical appetizers, entrees and desserts. Sip exotic drinks among the swaying palms served next to the blue lagoon.

You will be entertained by authentic Hawaiian dancers and may even be tempted to learn a few moves of your own! Don't miss this very special event at the charming home of Sharon and Julien Caestecker.



Hosted by Sharon & Julien Caestecker,
Judy Doane & Tom Bernhard

Saturday, August 29, 2009

5:00 pm

Limited to 26 guests

\$125 per person

(\$60 may be tax-deductible)

August 29

Event #28

Dixieland and all that Jazz!

Come to Carol and Norm Nagel's spacious garden and get ready to brighten up your mood as you tap your feet to this irresistible music! The *Night Blooming Jazzmen* is one of the most popular Dixieland bands in the Los Angeles area, having performed thousands of concerts. Four of their musicians are coming to Camarillo to put on a great show for lucky guests.

Besides being great musicians, the Jazzmen put on a great show for their audiences. They love to have fun, and they want you to have fun as well.

For your munching and sipping pleasure, snacks, lemonade, wine and other beverages will be served. Don't miss this opportunity for a really fun afternoon.



Hosted by Carol & Norm Nagel

Sunday, August 30, 2009

4:00 - 6:00 pm

Limited to 50 guests

\$50 per person

(\$20 may be tax-deductible)

August 30