

**Your Place for Food, Fun and Friendship!**

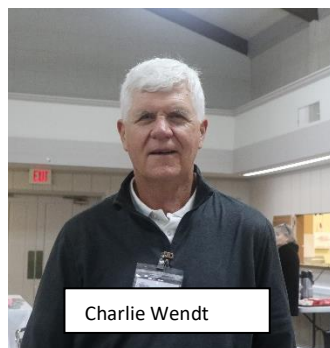
### 2024 Coffee Hour and Monthly Events

For years, Thursday Morning Coffee Hour has been the bedrock of regular Oceana Activities events. We've had them every Thursday morning for as long as anyone can remember. It is a time when folks could get together regularly for a nice breakfast, catch up on what was going on with their friends and find out what other activities were going on at the association. The following is a summary of some of the entertainers we had in 2024 for Coffee Hour and our other monthly activities this past year.

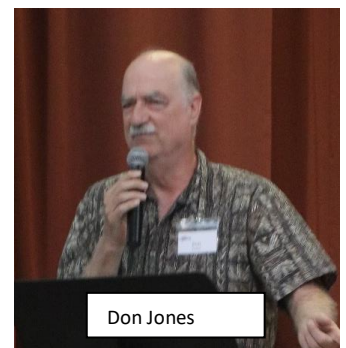
#### Regular MC's For Coffee Hour 2024

We have Regular MC's who welcome attendees, provide announcements, tell a story or joke and introduce the entertainment. Those duties were primarily split between the following individuals:

- **Charlie Wendt**
- **Don Jones**
- **Ellen Marciel**
- **Chuck Kruse**



Charlie Wendt



Don Jones

#### Summary of Entertainers & Entertainment in 2024

- **Mimosa Monday** – January 1<sup>st</sup> - Happy New Year gathering for bagels, croissants, and fruit. Watching the Tournament of Roses Parade on the big screen.
- **Dr. Ken's Hypnosis Show** – Packed audience to have professional hypnotist **Dr. Ken** entertain and hypnotize residents.



Ellen Marciel



Chuck Kruse



- **Bingo – Bingo – Bingo** – Most 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursdays of the month we played Bingo at our morning Coffee Hour. Ellen Marciel was our "caller" for the games. We played regular Bingo as well as some alternative games (e.g. Shakespeare Bingo – "To be or not to Be", What the "H", Small square and others). Winners received gift certificates with the final game of "Black Out" Bingo getting a certificate to Share and Wear. Great fun!

- **Paint and Sip** – Instructors from Pinot's Palette helped us create a new masterpiece painting: "Starry Night Sunflower". Plus, we had plenty of wine, cheese and crackers that seemed to make our painting creations fabulous!

- **OCA at the Movies** – We provided 2 first rate - free movies a month on the auditorium big screen. Refreshments were also served for the moviegoers (special ones each month). This entertainment was provided most of the year (until we had some technical problems).
- **White Elephant Gift Exchange**– Back by popular demand in January. Fun morning of gift exchanges.



Celeste

- **Celeste** – Blues and Jazz singer – Contra alto with an amazing voice. She was a regular entertainer for our Coffee Hour.
- **Super Bowl Party/Potluck** – Great food and Football game - watching KC Chiefs beat SF 49ers in overtime. Football pool was also fun.
- **Wine and Chocolate Pairing** – Enjoyed exquisite handmade chocolates that were paired with wine and beer for a very fun evening.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Thursday – Afternoon Treats** – When we had a 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday, we did not have Coffee Hour in the morning. We instead had an “Afternoon Treat” which was not a meal... but some very good food from our caterer Eddie Chiw. **Kevin O’Brien** was one of our entertainers with his guitar and vocals. **Bell Pepperz** and **Clay Colton** were among other who also entertained at an Afternoon Treat.



Jimmy & Enrique

- **Jimmy & Enrique** – Outstanding Guitarist & Drummer/Singer who have been favorites at Oceana (and the San Diego community) for years. They were back several times for Coffee Hour and some of our other afternoon/evening events.
- **Surprise Flash Mob** – Coffee Hour had a visit from the exercise group headed by Deborah Schwab “The Groove”. Showing off some fun dance moves.
- **Glenn Kramer** – Excellent pianist who has a unique program of “Name that Tune”. He can play almost any request. A crowd favorite, he was back on several occasions for Coffee Hour entertainment.



Glenn Kramer



Bell Pepperz

- **Bell Pepperz** – Ron Bell and his friend Jay Anderson - Singing, keyboard, saxophone, harmonica playing duo. A wide assortment of familiar music for both Coffee Hour and an afternoon Treat.

- **OCA Candidate Forum in February** – Board of Director candidates answered questions.
- **Liz Conejo & Francis Daniels Duo** – Local residents Liz on the flute and Francis on the guitar played many familiar songs to sing along with.
- **Spaghetti Supper** – Gail Olenick provided an outstanding spaghetti supper with her homemade pasta sauce.

- **Comedy Magic Show** – We were very pleased to have professional entertainer **Ari Paul** provide us with his Comedy Magic Show. He performed many tricks that had us scratching our heads trying to figure out how he did them. He was very entertaining and used comedy throughout his show.



- **Spring/Fall Equinox – and Summer/Winter Solstice Drum Circles** – Charlie Wendt led four sessions through the year around the major solar events. Fun... while also learning about the solar year events.

- **Kainga Music Steel Drums Show** – Poolside Summer Concert #1. Steel drum show with food and refreshments. Also had some residents learning to play “Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star”.

- **Shoreline Pickers Bluegrass** – Poolside Summer Concert #2. Laidback Bluegrass Music on a Friday night.
- **Hot Pursuit** - Poolside Summer Concert #3 and #4. Duo of Delene St. Claire and Barry Cahill put on outstanding concerts which had an Oceana crowd dancing and singing along with them. They are an excellent group, and we



Ari Paul - Magician

had them back again for a second concert on a Wednesday night that had many Beatles, Beach Boys and Jimmy Buffett songs to sing along with them.

- **Memorial Day Concert – Kings of La Jolla** – Great BBQ Ribs and Chicken, refreshments and music on a wonderful afternoon with a great musical group of 5 musicians.
- **Cinco de Mayo Evening** – Tacos and margaritas flowing this evening. DJ Mor Sol had residents up and dancing at night's end.
- **Robert Parker** – Elegant and Classy Pianist extraordinaire – Plays the piano like no other and can connect with everyone in the audience.
- **Share & Wear Fashion Show** – This show had local residents model different outfits and fashion wear available at our own Share and Wear.
- **U-Turns (previously known as Radiance)** – Local band bringing the 60's and 70's music back to life.
- **Medium – Maria Todd** – Psychic and spiritual mediums - Maria Todd and her sister-in-law provided information and messages for various attendees. A very different event for Oceana. We found out that "Betty" was not a nice person in life or in death!
- **Pride by the Pool** – The Activities Committee was happy to support the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual LGBTQ event at Oceana.
- **Garden Club Gala** – We also provided support for a fun fund-raising event for the Garden Club. Great atmosphere, entertainment and food!
- **4th of July Celebration and BBQ** – Great music from Cool Rush band, great food, fun dancing and enjoying a wonderful afternoon to celebrate Independence Day.
- **Take Me Out to the Ballgame** – Homerun Derby and Pitching competition – Ball Park hot dogs, peanuts, Cracker Jacks plus refreshments just prior to the competition of hitting home runs (with pickle ball) and pitching contest. Residents were encouraged to wear their favorite team "gear/uniform". Fun!!



- **John Scott and Brian Otto** – provided entertainment on guitar and vocals on many original songs. Nice laid-back music.
- **Ice Cream Social** – August afternoon for free ice cream sundaes, root beer floats and loads of fun. Anton the juggler provided entertainment (e.g. juggling and chair balancing).
- **Poolside Luau** – After missing a few years we hosted a Luau for our residents. Pulled Port and shredded jerk sliders, grilled pineapple and special drinks were provided. Lea Love provided Hawaiian music.
- **Labor Day Party** – Cool Rush again performed for over 140 people poolside. The food was excellent and fun dancing on a great September afternoon.
- **Oktoberfest** – Large crowd for an evening of food (brats prepared by Oceana grill master resident Jim Romans and German Potato salad, and German Chocolate cake) with music from Adrienne Nims with her German Band helpers providing music for listening and dancing.



- **Halloween Party** – We think this is one of Oceana's premier events. Background music was from DJ Pamela Glynn. Following pizza and salad we had our parade of costumes. A plethora of great costumes. Gift certificates to 5 groups of the best costumes ranging from Beetlejuice, Lifeguard, Scary Dog, Operation Gone Wrong and the 20's Generation. Albert Einstein was also seen wandering around during the evening.

- **Susie Lotzof** – Lotz of heart, vocalist, songwriter, and performer. Back again from last year.

- **Hospice of North Coast** – At Coffee Hour we had an Information session on utilizing Hospice care and options.

- **Senior Scams by Bobby Chandran** – Another Coffee Hour Information session on the many scams that are targeted at Seniors.
- **Thanksgiving Dinner** – We have continued the annual traditional Thanksgiving meal for Oceana residents.
- **Share & Wear Christmas Sale** – We annually have a 2-day Christmas sale in November.



- **Holiday Decorating** – We decorate the Auditorium complex for Fall, Halloween, and December Holidays (Christmas, Hanukkah, & Kwanzaa)



- **Clay Colton and Gary Piro** – They always put on a great show playing folk and country classics. They have entertained us for over 10 years. We are very lucky to have them.

- **Adrienne Nims** – Probably the finest flautist in southern California. – Energetic and inspiring music from a number of wind instruments.
- **Music Men Chorus** – Barbershop harmony and fun singing as a chorus and quartets. They performed their Christmas show in December.

- **Toe Tappers** – A “Senior” toe tapping/dance ensemble. With music, costumes, a lot of energy and fun from women ranging from 65 to 85 years of age.

We will have some of these same entertainers coming back to us in 2025. Plus, we are always looking for new entertainment that is available (and in our price range). Let us know of people/groups we should consider.

