

DINING FOR DOLLARS 2012 CATALOGUE OF EVENTS

Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Santa Monica Annual Silent Auction Fund Raiser

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The Dining for Dollars Committee wishes to express its deepest appreciation to all those contributing their time and talents to this year's fund raiser. The 2012 roster is bursting with creativity and care! Ethnic cuisine from 13 different countries and various U.S. regions, musical and dramatic entertainment, academic enlightenment, athletic activity or strategic frivolity; there really is something for everyone!

The purpose of this circular is to give a little more information regarding the events than you'll find on the bidding sheets Feb 19th and 26th. Creative license was exercised to the fullest and the D4\$ Committee hopes you'll read the catalogue in the good spirit with which it was intended. We hope the descriptions will pique your curiosity, boost your enthusiasm, and encourage you to be generous with your bids - after all, it is a fundraiser! (For the rules, please see page 11.)

1 **CHOIR CONCERT & RECEPTION** June 2, Saturday Evening

One of our most popular Dining for Dollars events showcases the singing talents of our fellow UCCSMers. "Broadway Classics" is the theme of this year's show. Special guest musicians will join the choir during the performance. Don't miss this opportunity to hear the euphonious voices of our choir and the melodious ingenuity of our musical director Seth. But wait, there's more! A reception will follow the concert in Forbes Hall.

Hosts: The UCCSM Choir & Seth Houston

2 **PANCAKE BREAKFAST & PANCAKE GAMES** May 19, Saturday Morning

Straightaway we need to you wipe out any preconceived notions you currently have of pancake breakfasts. Because THIS pancake breakfast is not the Kiwanis kind you'll find at your community center. The pancakes here are made from a secret recipe - passed down from longtime church member Dean Voegtlen to Bob Dietz who is sworn to secrecy. We're not talkin' Krusteaz or Bisquick or anything out of a box. Eggs are separated, whites are whipped and gently folded, fresh blueberries are at the ready -

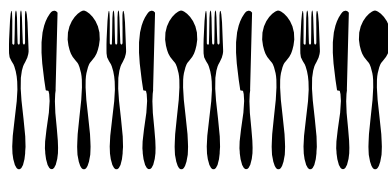
this is the only part of the recipe we could get out of Bob - we'll all just have to show up and taste them for ourselves!! And if this pancake power isn't enough of an enticement alone, also on the agenda for this event is Pancake Games. We can't even imagine what we'll be doing for this - but we're all included should we so desire. Come with the family or come solo - either way, come hungry!

Hosts: Bob Dietz & his Pancake Crew

3 **MOVIE NIGHT: SOUND OF MUSIC SING-A-LONG** March 10, Saturday Evening

Come cheer on Maria! Swoon over Captain Von Trapp! Boo the Nazis (and the Baroness)! And sing, sing, sing! It's an interactive movie-going experience for all ages in the UCCSM Sanctuary as we watch 'The Sound of Music' on the big screen. Don't worry if you don't know the song lyrics... they'll be right up there on the screen for you! Dinner will be theater fare: hot dogs (including vegan dogs), nachos, candy and soda pop.

Hosts: Amy Thiel & Patrick Meighan



4 **TRADITIONAL ST. PATRICK'S DAY DINNER** March 17, Saturday Evening

Faith and Begorrah! 'Tis a fine time indeed you'll be havin' this evenin'! Saint Patrick himself would be pleased to attend this event held in his honor. The menu this evening will feature that traditional Irish-American combo, corned beef & cabbage. Other dishes will join in the spread, and all will be mingled with hearty pints o' Guinness, the best beverage in all of Ireland. Wearin' of the green strongly encouraged!

Hosts: Cynthia Cottam & Tom Early

5 **PARTY BRIDGE BUFFET** March 18, Sunday Afternoon

For those in the know, Bridge is perhaps the greatest card game of all. And for those not in the know, Janet and Karl are perhaps the best bridge players of all (anyone who's been to DeBenville can confirm this!) So what could be more fun than to gather together to play a few rounds? Getting together AND enjoying an elegant buffet lunch of course! It's the perfect combination of moxie and meal. This afternoon you'll be declaring you've made the right call!

Hosts: Janet Goodwin & Karl Lisovsky

6
TEXAS HOLD 'EM POKER & BAR-B-Q
March 31, Saturday Evening

An ode to the great state of Texas! Anyone from Texas will tell you there's no place like it. The people, the hospitality - the poker! Yes, Hold 'Em added Texas to its name somewhere in Las Vegas in the late 50s. Ours is not to reason why, ours is to bring a good poker face and a hearty appetite to this event! Dee-licious Texas-style BBQ ribs will be the main entrée, served with Texas-sized quantities of napkins - you won't want your cards to slip through your fingers and reveal your bluff!! Yee Haw!

Host: Jerry Moore

7
DINNER WITH A PERSIAN ACCENT
April 15, Sunday Evening

The cuisine of Persia is diverse, with each province featuring dishes, culinary traditions and styles distinct to their regions. Fresh herbs are frequently used along with fruits such as plums, pomegranates and apricots. Characteristic flavorings such as saffron, cinnamon and parsley are also used. Tonight you'll experience an evening of incredible dishes, all with a Persian accent. Whether it's a kebab or a cotlet, Faz and Lucy will be serving it all with creative flare and gracious hospitality.

Hosts: Faz & Lucy Elahi

8
MALIBU CREEK HIKE & FRENCH PICNIC
April 21, Saturday Afternoon

Alison Kendall and Francois Bar know how to hike it up in style. At this afternoon's event, you'll hike up a shady Malibu creek to a lovely spot where you'll be served an array of specialties from the south of France. The menu will depend on the market

specialties of the day, but picture a savory pissaladière with peppers and olives, charcuterie, berry tarts, an array of French cheeses and fresh bread, fruit juice and wines from Languedoc. Mmmmmmm. The best part of it all? You won't feel guilty because you'll work it all off on the walk there and back!!

Hosts: Alison Kendall & Francois Bar

9
ENJOYING THE BEATLES WITH GOURMET PIZZA
April 21, Saturday Evening

Some folks will travel *Across the Universe* to experience great pizza. *Do You Want To Know A Secret?* Karl Lisovsky makes THE best gourmet pizza - right in front of you, including throwing and flipping the dough in mid-air! *I Wanna Tell You* there's nothing like it and *I've Got a Feeling* this is one event you'll truly enjoy. Especially if you're a Beatles Fan. You'll have to *Think for Yourself* during rounds of Beatles Jeopardy and Name That Tune. *Every Little Thing* you know about the Beatles can be shared with your fellow fans *Any Time at All* during this event. So bring your appetite and your expertise and *Come and Get It!!*

Hosts: Janet Goodwin & Karl Lisovsky

10
BORDEAUX AND THE JEFFERSON BIBLE
April 22, Sunday Late Afternoon

Join us for a Colonial-Era dinner of French food and Bordeaux wines (celebrating Jefferson's service as ambassador to Paris), a uniquely early American dessert and a fascinating look at the Jefferson Bible with the author of the introduction to the newly-published edition, Elizabeth Campbell, who will offer insights into Jefferson's complicated religious beliefs and lead a discussion of these beliefs, the role of Unitarianism on his thought and his struggle to establish

religious freedom.

Hosts: Len Harris, Peggy Kharraz & AAHS
(Agnostics, Atheists, Humanists & Secularists)

11
FABULOUS FRENCH FEMINIST FEAST
April 29, Sunday Evening

It was Simone de Beauvoir who said "One is not born, but rather becomes, a woman." The most famous French feminist intellectual inundated her memoirs and novels with fares, dishes, and meals. Was it *her* writings that inspired Julia Child? Cast your phallocentricities aside this evening and join us for a lovely meal and an engaging discussion on the philosophy of feminism. Find out why equality makes life more delicious!

Host: Judith Martin-Straw

12
ONE OF MY LITTLE CANDLELIGHT SUPPERS
April 29, Sunday Evening

From 1990-1995 British audiences laughed their heads off at the antics of Hyacinth Bucket (pronounced *Bouquet*) in the show "Keeping Up Appearances". Obsessed by perfection, image, etiquette and breeding, Hyacinth lives to be seen and does everything in her power to give the right impression to the upper social classes. Prominently featured in her infamous "candlelight suppers" is her Royal Worcester double-glazed Avignon china and Royal Doulton china with the "hand painted periwinkles". Indulge yourself this evening in a special meal without the social climbing ladder and snobbery. (Just remember, the pinky is kept bent when holding the tea cup!)

Hosts: Sheila & Harvey Bjornlie

13
WILDFLOWER WALK & PICNIC IN ZUMA CANYON
May 5, Saturday Afternoon

I love to go a-wandering, along the mountain track...Ah, so goes the song

of the *Happy Wanderer* - which is just what you'll be this afternoon as you accompany wildflower expert Dorothy through Zuma canyon in Malibu. Learn about the local flora and fauna in this beautiful area of Southern California. After the tour your hunger for botanical knowledge will be further satiated with a delicious savory picnic.

Host: Dorothy Steinicke

**14
BREAKFAST FOR DINNER
May 5, Saturday Evening**

We think breakfast is the best meal of the day...served at the wrong time. Join us for breakfast served at a civilized time of day - evening! Omelets made to order; and waffles, both savory and sweet, gluten free and traditional will be served along with other breakfast goodies. Vegetarian and gluten sensitive friendly.

Hosts: Susan Bickford & Daniel Nannini

**15
CAL-FRENCH WINE
TASTING AND FOOD EVENT
May 5, Saturday Evening**

Travel without even leaving your town! Light dinner, appetizers, and dessert paired perfectly with wine from California. Executive chef Beth will be assisted by Pastry chef and sommelier Bryan. This dynamic duo will be further assisted by server/saucier Alex and server/sous chef Spencer. Rounding out the brilliant team will be apprentice sous chef Ian. Vive la France...and California!

Hosts: Beth Brownlie & Bryan Oakes

**16
LATIN AMERICAN DINNER
AND MUSIC
May 6, Sunday Late Afternoon**

Quiz #1: what do guacamole, pico de gallo, mole, chimichurri and pebre have in common? They're what give Latin American cuisine its distinct

flavors. Quiz #2: what do tango, samba, bossa nova, cha-cha-cha, merengue, salsa and reggaeton have in common? They're just some of the musical styles that have come from the Latin American culture. Tonight, when you combine these spices with this music, you'll have the ultimate combinación!

Host: Nora Hamilton

**17
3-HOUR SAIL
PLUS LIGHT SNACKS
May 12, Saturday Afternoon**

Juuuuuuust sit right back and you'll hear a tale...no, no, not THAT tale! This will be no "Gilligan's Island" 3-hour tour, but one that will have you happily spending the hours blissfully gliding through the Pacific ocean on a 30 foot Catalina. Enjoy light snacks while aboard. After a 7-year hiatus, this favorite event is BACK!

Host: Kenn Mengert

**18
MEDITERRANEAN DINNER
AND CANAL WALK
May 12, Saturday Late Afternoon**

Where are we? Stunning architecture, no cars allowed, footpaths criss-crossing waters, colorful people enjoying the day...It can only describe Venice of course - Venice, California! Today you'll become one of the colorful people enjoying the day in Venice. First we'll enjoy a delicious Mediterranean dinner, then we'll stroll the canals for an hour or so, taking in all the sights and sites. We'll return for dessert and more conversation. Cosídelizioso!

Hosts: Haygo Salibian & Bill Blake

**19
KARMA FREE VEGETARIAN
BBQ WITH BUUDHA
May 19, Saturday Afternoon**

Karma is often defined as the force created by a person's actions that some people believe causes good or

bad things to happen to that person. This afternoon, we'll be sticking to just the good kind! That means pure enjoyment and relaxation in the shaded backyard with the host's fun, eclectic household. Buudha will be using fresh seasonal vegetables right out of the garden for this vegetarian feast. Come find out all about mindful eating!

Host: Jonathan "Buudha" Quant

**20
SAVORY & SWEET
AFTERNOON TEA
May 20, Sunday Afternoon**

Enjoy an afternoon sampling teas from around the world and indulging in delectable finger foods and sweets. Hats are encouraged! And that includes the guys! We'll have prizes for the most imaginative, most whimsical, most elegant, and anything else we can think of that involves your creative participation.

Hosts: Sanna Egan & Pat Gomez

**21
LOUISIANA CRAWFISH
BOIL & ZYDECO JAM
May 26, Saturday Evening**

The big easy has moved west! Join us for an authentic Louisiana Crawfish Boil with shrimp and sausage, corn and potatoes (we'll throw in some salad for roughage), Zydeco music on the iPod and pecan pie for dessert. Laissez Le Bon Temps Rouler!

Hosts: Jacki Weber & Lorenzo Pelayo

**22
TEA AT TWO
June 3, Sunday Afternoon**

Enjoy a delightful tea at two in the afternoon. Scones, little sandwiches without crusts, along with other surprise treats, all served with properly brewed tea and milk. There may even be a doily or two. Not just for ladies - don't be shy guys! We all know you dig those little finger sandwiches!

Hosts: Helen Brown & Katie Malich

**23
LADIES' NIGHT
AT THE HEATED POOL
June 3, Sunday Evening**

The title of this event alone conjures up so many adjectives, we don't know where to begin! First off - the rules - NO MEN ALLOWED. Sorry guys - you can drown your sorrows at the pancake breakfast (event #2). Ladies, there aren't too many things more relaxing than floating around in warm water, stars twinkling overhead, a soft spring breeze blowing. All your cares will simply drift away. Accompanying this euphoric feeling will be a delicious healthy meal prepared by the ultra talented Julie. And what's a little heaven without some sinful desserts? We'll be so blissed out we won't even notice the calories. Ah, life is good.

Host: Julie Nyquist

**24
TOUR OF THE SANTA
MONICA AIRPORT & PICNIC
June 8, Friday Morning**

Fact: The Santa Monica Airport was the home of the Douglas Aircraft company. Fact: The original name of the airport was Clover Field. Fact: The control tower handles 400-500 operations a day. Want more facts? Then this is your event! Come and tour the Santa Monica Airport - its control tower, flying school and grounds, and learn about its rich history. After your brain is stuffed with knowledge you'll enjoy a savory picnic courtesy of Joan Verdon. Don't miss this opportunity to get behind the scenes of this historic site!

Host: Joan Verdon

**25
BACKYARD YOGA,
APPETIZERS & WINE
June 9, Saturday Afternoon**

Yoga is a physical, mental, and spiritual discipline, originating in ancient India. The goal of the person practicing yoga is the attainment of a state of

perfect spiritual insight and tranquility while meditating on the Supersoul. Join certified yoga teacher Emily in her backyard for a 75-minute gentle to moderate vinyasa yoga session. All levels of ability are welcome. After we're all feeling so delightfully wonderful, we'll crank up the bliss-o-meter to 11 with wine and appetizers.

Host: Emily Linnemeier

**26
MOM'S LASAGNA
AND KAREN'S PIE
June 9, Saturday Evening**

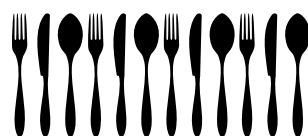
Celebrate the comfort of classic home cooking. There's no better lasagna than Karen's mom's recipe, and Karen's pies taste like they were made by someone who LOVES to bake pies. Folks who eat store-bought lasagna or pie just don't know what good old home cooking can do for a body, so come on over to Karen's to find out. Menu includes fresh salad and bread. For those who like to knit, bring your needles and yarn to celebrate "World Knit in Public Day".

Hosts: Karen Canady & Robert Michelson

**27
BISTECCA TAGLIATA
& OTHER SPECIALTIES
June 9, Saturday Evening**

When we think of this dish, Bistecca Tagliata, our mouths begin watering before we've even gotten to the Tagliata part. The flavors are so magical together! Perfectly grilled steak, sliced and served warm over arugula with shards of Parmigiano-Reggiano and lemon... Tonight's event will feature other Italian regional specialties as well, and with Bistecca Tagliata as the lead, everything following is sure to be incredibilmente fantastico!

Hosts: Patricia & Edward Wright



**28
LUNCH AT CAFÉ LAURENT
June 16, Saturday Afternoon**

Nestled in a quiet corner of Culver City lies a little French bistro called Café Laurent. Locals flock here for their delicious home baked goodies and delightful fare. Join us today for lunch on the back patio. Drink in the pleasantries of the afternoon and savor the cuisine and company! Bon appétit!

Host: Resa Foreman

**29
ART OF CINEMATOGRAPHY
WITH 4-COURSE DINNER
June 19, Tuesday Evening**

This is one course where there'll be no final exam. Four courses to be exact. But there will be an academic twist: this evening's event features conversation with UCLA's Head of Cinematography, Professor William McDonald. Our event this evening will occur at a private table in the UCLA Faculty Center Dining Room. A buffet selection of appetizers, salad and soup will be followed by your choices of entrée, which includes a vegetarian dish. Dinner conversation is sure to be lively with 123 years of history and technique to cover! From film stock to filters, film noir to cinéma vérité, camera storytelling to digital filmmaking - and then there's dessert - which is served buffet style...!! Pass the deep focus, please.

Hosts: Pamela Beere Briggs & William McDonald

**30
CHINESE FEAST
AT V.I.P. HARBOR SEAFOOD
June 23, Saturday Evening**

Dim Sum's history dates back to travelers on the ancient Silk Road needing a place to rest. People would gather at tea houses for a relaxing afternoon. At first it was considered bad form to combine tea with food, as it was thought to

lead to excessive weight gain. Later it was discovered tea can aid in digestion - so various snacks were served with the tea and Dim Sum was born. At tonight's event you'll enjoy a feast at a Chinese restaurant famous for their Dim Sum, V.I.P. Harbor Seafood. Copious amounts of tea will be consumed of course, and in between sips and bites you can thank all those travelers and tasters for perfecting the art of Asian cuisine.

Host: Lee Voegtlen

31 SCRABBLE WARM-UP AND VEGGIE CHILI July 8, Sunday Evening

150 million Scrabble sets have been sold to date worldwide. It's downright epidemic - and fun! Here's your chance for a summertime warm up before the big D4\$ Fall Tournament (event #46). We'll divide into groups and the strategizing will begin! Just how will you create a high scoring play like caziques from the letters on the board and your tiles which contain W, H, J and a couple of vowels? Veggie chili with beans will be lavishly served specifically for brain empowerment. All levels of vocabulary are welcome!

Host: Roberta Frye

32 LADIES' NIGHT AT THE HOT TUB July 14, Saturday Evening

A little like event #23, but at 104°! Guys, you're still not allowed, but feel free to put in a hefty bid for this event as a treat for your spouse or female friend! Ladies, come and treat yourself tonight - a luscious meal with plenty of wine-infused girl talk segues into the main affair, the hot tub, where pink skin is IN! It all takes place in a beautifully landscaped garden. Another Dining for Dollars multi-sensory event!

Host: Phyllis Kory

33 ARCLIGHT EXTRAVAGANZA FOLLOWED BY DINNER July 15, Sunday Afternoon

Tonight's happening is a real treat - A movie AND dinner. We'll start the event in the heart of Hollywood with a matinée (the movie will be determined near the event date), including all the popcorn, drinks and candy you can handle. An early dinner will follow at the Arclight Café. The relaxed cafe environment features a California bistro menu. A great date event! *This event is for adults over 18 only.*

Host: Bonnie Brae

34 ITALIAN DINNER WITH FOOD CHEMISTRY EXPLANATIONS July 21, Saturday Evening

It's Kitchen Science 101 tonight with your host, LMU Chemistry Professor Rebecca Crawford. Tonight you'll learn just how your food is engineered by Mother Nature and by Rebecca herself. Carbohydrates, lipids and proteins will be fashioned with Italian flair and presented for your examination, illumination and most of all, enjoyable consumption! Best yet, there will be no final exam, just a delightful course of food and fun!

Host: Rebecca Crawford

35 COUNTRY CLUB BRUNCH IN CHEVIOT HILLS July 22, Sunday Morning

Your venue this late morning will be the Beverly Hills Country Club - which is actually located just south of Beverly Hills in beautiful Cheviot Hills. Your table will overlook the tennis courts, which automatically will transfer the calorie burning efforts from the players below to you, enabling you to make as many trips as you'd like to the scrumptiously bountiful buffet table! Awesome how that works!! So whether it's a custom made omelet, a made-to-order crepe, French

toast, eggs Benedict and Florentine, blintzes, croissants, salads, fresh fruit -- and so much more to choose from, or have it all -- those tennis players will work it all off for you! Mmmmm, bacon...

Host: Mark Huberman

36 FARMER'S TENNIS CLASSIC AT UCLA July 27, Friday Evening

In its 86th year, the landmark Southern California ATP tournament is the longest running annual professional sporting event in Los Angeles and offers total player compensation in excess of \$1 million. The bidders of this event will receive good seating for two for any day or evening session of your choice. If you haven't ever attended - this is truly a wonderful Los Angeles summer event! (You can also check out www.farmerclassic.com)

Hosts: Diane & Keith Ludowitz

37 EPICUREANS UNITE: FOOD & WINE PAIRING July 28, Saturday Evening

Viognier, Marsanne, Roussane, Carignan, Grenache, Mourvèdra; these are just some of the varietals that comprise the wines of the Rhone valley. By way of a six-course dinner, we'll deliciously explore the wines of this southern France region. Is it the food that makes the wine taste better or the wine that makes the food taste better? Come and judge for yourself!

Host: Rhonda Peacock

38 GOURMET BBQ & FUN! August 5, Sunday Afternoon

This afternoon we'll revel in benevolence straight from the garden. Nancy and Glen have the most incredible backyard - it's a veritable food fest with vegetables and fruit trees everywhere. You won't

get it any fresher than just-picked! We'll gather at 3p for appetizers and a round of croquet (proper technique strategies will be given by request!). Come 4p it's bring on the BBQ and the homegrown goodness! Grilled goodies will include fish as well as traditional BBQ standards. This is a teenager friendly event - take advantage!

Hosts: Nancy & Glen Howell

39 COCKTAILS & ELEGANT PATIO DINING August 15, Wednesday Evening

Imagine dining al fresco beneath the spreading branches of a 300 year-old oak tree, complete with chandelier. Stars twinkle above, a soft breeze blows and you can't help but feel extra special as you take in the quiet and sage of Rustic Canyon. A multi-course gourmet dinner prepared by a professional chef awaits you on the beautiful patio overlooking the grounds of the Riviera Country Club. At this 1929 home originally built by Donald Douglas, stargazing has never been more enjoyable!

Host: Heather Thomas-Brittenham

40 PERSIAN DINNER, POETRY & WINE IN THE GARDEN August 25, Saturday Evening

Iran is home to one of the world's oldest continuous major civilizations - the first dynasty dates back to 2800 BC and written records date from around 3000 BC. That translates to 5000 years of recipe perfection! Whether it's a savory stew served with rice, a vegetable souffle or any of the delectable desserts, you can taste the history of this rich culture in every bite. Come and enjoy an evening of poetry, wine and delicious cultural cuisine in a lovely garden setting.

Hosts: Farrokh & Garland Allen

41 MEXICAN & MARGARITAS August 25, Saturday Evening

Back in 1821 Mexico gained its independence from Spain, and for 25 years the area we live in was part of Mexico. This is no doubt the reason we have such great Mexican food in our region. Be it hand-made tamales, rich molé sauces or stuffed peppers - the flavors of Mexican food are indescribably delicious. This evening you'll savor a number of Mexican dishes paired with the unofficial drink of Mexico, the margarita. Will it be blended or on the rocks? Only one way to find out!

Hosts: Grethen & David Goetz

42 CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH AT THE JONATHAN CLUB August 26, Sunday Afternoon

Nestled at the foot of the bluffs in Santa Monica, the Jonathan Club is in the keystone of a vista stretching from Malibu to Palos Verdes. At the Jonathan Club's beach front restaurant, both traditional and island influenced cuisine is served with the executive chef's individual panache. Enjoy a stunning champagne brunch in an elegant setting with oversized windows which frame the powerful coastline of the Pacific Ocean.

Hosts: Marjorie & William Anderson

43 SUMMER PATIO SUPPER WITH CHARADES September 1, Saturday Evening

Summer patio supper: 3 words. 3rd word, 2 syllables - wildly pantomime "supper" by moving hand to mouth and rubbing stomach - be prepared for guests to shout "hungry" or "yummy". And that's just what you'll be when you arrive and what you'll say afterwards. What happens in between is anybody's guess, depending on the motions used! One thing's certain: you're in for an evening of delicious

food, fun and frivolity!

Hosts: Barbara Gibbs & Roberta Frye

44 HOMEGIRLS AND HISTORY September 8, Saturday Morning

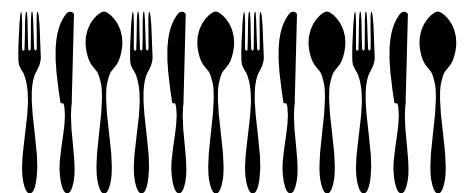
Celebrate the 231st birthday of Nuestra Senora la Reina de los Angeles with breakfast at Homegirls Cafe followed by a walking tour of nearby historic Olvera Street and its eclectic mix of museums. With lots to see and exciting new museums opening, the interests of winning bidders will be taken into account in planning the mix of museums and landmarks for our walking tour. Kid/baby friendly event; please allow for walking on cobblestones.

Hosts: Katie Malich & Peggy Kharraz

45 KICKBALL GAME & HOMEGIRL LUNCH September 15, Saturday Afternoon

It's the 4th Annual Kickball Throwdown at Lindberg Park in Culver City!! Adults and kids of all ages join together for this lively event. For those of you a little rusty on your playground knowledge, kickball follows the rules of baseball/softball, but a large inflated ball is rolled to the person "at bat", and there's no bat; the recipient kicks the ball - then runs like heck to first base, etc. You'll work up an appetite, no doubt - and no worries, as today's event will be catered by Homegirl Cafe. The gals at Homegirl define their cuisine as Latina flavors with a contemporary twist. You'll define it as delicious. And topping it off will be gourmet popsicles!!

Hosts: Amy Thiel & Patrick Meighan



**46
SCRABBLE TOURNAMENT
& ALPHABET SOUP DINNER
September 16, Sunday Evening**

Zyme (18 points), Frowsy (24 points), Muzjiks (79 points); WHAT do these words mean and why do they have points assigned to them? Come and find out at the 8th Annual Scrabble Tournament – a Dining For Dollars tradition! All levels of skill are invited to participate and join in the competitive fun. While you're strategizing how you can get 14 points with G, K, B and four A tiles, you'll enjoy delicious homemade alphabet soup and other yummy sides. There'll even be prizes for the winners - and that's no Joky! (18 points)

Hosts: Elizabeth Fuller & Daniel Kegel

**47
A NIGHT IN TUSCANY
September 22, Saturday Evening**

Tuscany is known for its beautiful landscapes, its rich artistic legacy and vast influence on high culture. The food from this region of Italy has its roots in cucina povera (simple cooking). Beef, pork, legumes, bread, cheese, vegetables, mushrooms and fresh fruit are featured prominently, simply seasoned, celebrating the natural goodness and character of the region. Sage, rosemary, thyme and marjoram lend their herbal magic to the platter. Olive oil flows like fine wine. And speaking of which - what's a night in Tuscany without the beverage of Bacchus? Wines from this region include Chianti, Brunello di Montalcino (Sangiovese) and Vernaccia di San Gimignano. Treat yourself to an evening filled with Italian delights!

Hosts: Phyllis & Robert Kory

**48
BRUNCH AT THE
BEL-AIR BAY CLUB
September 23, Sunday Morning**

The Bel-Air Bay Club was built in

1927 by Alphonzo Bell, one of Los Angeles's primary developers. The grounds are located on one-quarter mile of beach front, with a total of 14 acres including picturesque bluffs overlooking the sea. On a clear day the views of Santa Monica Bay and Catalina Island are unsurpassed. Join your hosts, the Olsons, for a delicious Sunday brunch at the Bel-Air Bay Club. Executive Chef Yves Bainier incorporates his desire for the freshest ingredients in all the dishes prepared at the Bel-Air Bay Club. Your dining experience is sure to be one that will be remembered!

Hosts: Katheryn & David Olson

**49
MOROCCAN DINNER
September 29, Saturday Evening**

Moroccan cuisine has long been considered some of the most diversified cookery in the world. The cuisine is a mix of Berber, Spanish, Corsican, Portuguese, Moorish, Middle Eastern, Mediterranean, and African styles. It's been influenced by the Arabic Andalusian dishes brought by the Moriscos when they left Spain, the Turkish cuisine from the Turks and the Middle Eastern foods brought by the Arabs, as well as Jewish cuisine. You can count on spices playing a prominent role in Moroccan cookery, having been imported into the area for thousands of years. And spices are the theme of tonight's delightful dinner with the Alexanders. Come and experience the influence of all these amazing cultures!

Hosts: Crystal & Kenneth Alexander

**50
CHARADES AND SUPPER
September 30, Sunday Evening**

Charades is an acting game. A player acts out a phrase, word, title, saying - all via pantomime and without opening one's mouth. No need for years of thespian training, although it could come in handy if you've got

it. Either way the evening is sure to be hoo-larious! The menu will be serious though - seriously enjoyable! A delectable meal will be served prior to the entertainment portion of the evening. Hours of laughs guaranteed! You must be able to walk up stairs to attend this event as the "theatre" is on the second floor.

Hosts: Beth Rendeiro & Steven DePaul

**51
BRAZILIAN BBQ
October 6, Saturday Evening**

Pack up your cares and woes Gaúchos, this afternoon you're headed to Brazil! Will it be Polenta and Churrasco (chunks of beef grilled on a skewer), fried bananas, or Feijoada (Brazilian meat stew)? Maybe black beans, manioc, rice, citrus salad and Ambrosia! These are typical traditional Brazilian dishes and tradition is what Margo and Ian have in mind with this afternoon's BBQ event. Don your best Carmen Miranda-style hat and Chica Chica Boom Chic on over!

Hosts: Margot Page & Ian Dodd

**52
GREAT WALL OF L.A. TOUR
& ARTISAN PIZZA LUNCH
October 13, Saturday Morning**

No doubt you've heard of the Great Wall of China, but have you heard of the Great Wall of Los Angeles? The Great Wall of Los Angeles depicts the multi-ethnic history of L.A. from prehistoric times to the 1960s, along half a mile of the western bank of the Tujunga Flood Channel, in Valley View. Join us for a guided tour of the "world's longest mural" located right here in our own city. After filling our brains with the history of this artistic masterpiece we'll head over to Pitfire Pizza in North Hollywood and fill our bellies with a fabulous artisan pizza lunch. All ages welcome!

Hosts: Peggy & Rick Rhoads

53
TRADITIONAL SOUTH OF FRANCE DINNER & WINE
October 20, Saturday Evening

You won't need your passport this evening as we visit the culinary traditions of the south of France! New members Lynn & Stan are both accomplished cooks and love to entertain. They especially love French cuisine, having lived and traveled there and are looking forward to sharing their knowledge with new friends. Tonight's soiree will be a bistro-style Mediterranean dinner, emphasizing fish and everything will be paired with great wine!

Hosts: Lynn & Stan Morris

54
CERAMICS AND SNACKS
November 3, Saturday Afternoon

Think "Color Me Mine" - Lacombe Style! Amy has been supporting herself by creating whimsical ceramics for over 25 years. Come enjoy the inspiring and creative atmosphere of her home and studio, and choose from a selection of bisque fired ceramic pieces to paint, for yourself or possibly for a unique Christmas gift. She will glaze them and re-fire them, after which you may pick them up from church.

Hosts: Amy & Bruno Lacombe

55
CHRISTMAS SNAPS AND SNACKS
November 11, Sunday Afternoon

Just in time for the holidays! Many of you know about Charles's photography talents, but did you know that he and Christine have a home studio? At this afternoon's event you'll be the star in front of the camera. Individuals or couples will get the studio treatment via Charles and his camera. These can in turn be used for holiday cards or gifts. Healthy snacks, including wine

and cheese, and other non-alcoholic beverages will be on hand for jubilant consumption. Smile and say "cheese"!

Hosts: Christine & Charles Haskell

56
FAMILY HANUKKAH LATKE PARTY
December 12, Wednesday Evening

A Hanukkah Party for the Whole Family, with latkes and candle lighting. Latkes are delicious little fried potato pancakes, traditionally served at Hanukkah, the Jewish Festival of Lights. Hanukkah is an eight-day holiday, a time of lights and gatherings, celebration and gifts. For D4\$, this early evening latke party is open to all ticket holders and will provide latkes with all the fixin's, a menorah lighting, and games. Parents are encouraged to bring a small wrapped gift for their children. Held in Forbes Hall for 80 people at a fixed price!

Host: Jonathan Markowitz Bijur

57
DRINKS, DINNER & JAZZ AT CATALINA BAR & GRILL
Mid-December Evening

Be our guests for music, dinner and drinks at one of LA's premier jazz clubs, Hollywood's Catalina Bar & Grill. You'll sit close to the stage at the annual jazz benefit for PATH Ventures, an organization that creates housing for homeless people. Pianist, leader, and composer George Kahn puts it together, accompanied by some of LA's top jazz musicians and vocalists. In Dec. 2011 the group, including piano, drums, bass, tenor sax, trumpet, guitar, and 3 singers, performed for 2 hours straight. The exact date in mid-December will be announced around July. Usually it's a Tuesday or Wednesday evening, although it was once on a Sunday. (Individual dinner/jazz tickets purchased through PATH Ventures cost \$100 + drinks and tip.)

Hosts: Peggy & Rick Rhoads

BAKED GOODIES, GIFT BASKETS & GIFT CERTIFICATES

58
\$100 WEEKEND DISCOUNT CAMP DEBENNEVILLE PINES

Camp de Benneville Pines is a retreat and conference center located in the Barton Flats area of the San Bernardino National Forest, about 90 miles east of Los Angeles. At an elevation of 6,800 feet, the camp is surrounded by a forest of towering pines, cedars, and oaks. It's a beautiful getaway from Los Angeles any day of the year!! And what better way to enjoy a weekend at DeBenneville Pines than with a \$100 discount coupon! Valid any time of the year.

Courtesy: DeBenneville Pines UU Camp/ Janet James

59
GIFT CERTIFICATE FOR 2 CASA BLANCA RESTAURANT

The family-owned Casablanca Restaurant has been serving delicious Mexican food in Southern California for the past 28 years. It offers one of the finest and widest assortments of traditional Mexican and seafood cuisine in Los Angeles. Known for an extensive selection of calamari steaks, Casablanca has also introduced a unique tequila-infused menu. It also features traditional Mexican cuisine including burritos and enchiladas. This gift certificate for 2 will treat you to Sunday brunch - which includes all you can drink champagne, sangria, Bloody Marys and soft drinks!

Courtesy: Analee Haro-Simon

60
A YEAR OF HOMEMADE BAKED GOODNESS

It's Treat of the Month Club! A batch of Kit's delicious homemade cookies, sumptuous brownies, delectable bread or sinfully rich cheesecake - delivered directly to you fresh each

month!! How awesome is that? TWELVE times a year! Each calendar month! Yummy yummy yummy yum yum!

Courtesy: Kit Shaw

61 LUSCIOUS SCONES & REAL BRITISH MARMALADE

Judy has scoured the entire globe to find honest and true British Marmalade, the perfect accompaniment to her luscious homemade scones. That's your first delivery. Your second delivery will be oatmeal raisin walnut scones with real "classic" cream. Put on the kettle and unplug the phone!

Courtesy: Judy Federick

62 SYLVIA'S FAMOUS BANANA BREAD

Twice as nice! - Sylvia's fresh, delicious, homemade banana bread will come your way two times this year. What season might you choose? Perfect any time of the year; on its own or with anything else; breakfast, lunch or dinner!!

Courtesy: Sylvia Young

63 LEAH'S SPECIAL NUT-FREE BANANA BREAD

Delivered to you three times this year! What's different about this loaf? This yummy rich banana bread contains no nuts! You won't miss them after you've tried it without. Please give Leah a week's notice to properly ripen the bananas. (This recipe contains dairy, wheat and eggs)

Courtesy: Leah P. Moore

64 MIDWESTERN STYLE BANANA BREAD

This time the banana bread's created from an old-fashioned, midwestern recipe. What might that mean? You'll

have to try it to find out, but we think you'll find it incredible! Midwestern bananas are known for their unique and delicious flavor! Delivered right to your doorstep twice this year.

Courtesy: Laura Carlson-Weiner, Larry & Jacob Weiner

65 2 BATCHES OF CHOC CHIP COOKIES

Double your pleasure! You'll receive delivery of not one, but TWO batches of mouth-watering, homemade Hanson chocolate chip cookies, and one will be "freezer-ready" to enjoy later. Or, you can skip that part and enjoy both of them simultaneously!!

Courtesy: Anne, Helen & Freddy Hanson

66 2 x 1 BATCH OF FAVORITE COOKIES

What'll it be? Peanut butter? Chocolate fudge? Snickerdoodle? Maybe good old chocolate chip? You get to decide this time around, or you can let Barbara choose. You'll get one batch of cookies, two different times this year - your choice or Barbara's - delivered right to your door. Oh the possibilities!

Courtesy: Barbara Kernochan

67 1 x 2 DOZEN OATMEAL RAISIN COOKIES

Cinnamon, spice and everything nice, including raisins! All wrapped up in oatmeal cookie goodness. You'll receive two dozen delicious homemade oatmeal raisin cookies delivered straight to your designated destination.

Courtesy: Natalie Sue Kahn

68 FANCY, DECADENT & DELECTABLE DESSERTS

Fancy, decadent & delectable desserts made for a dinner party or special event that you're hosting. Choose up to 3 different desserts, such as seasonal fruit baked in individual puff pastry boats floating on a sea of burnt caramel cream sauce topped with marscapone cream; or maybe a key lime tart filling elegantly nestled in an edible chocolate cup. For 2 to 20 people; specifics to be negotiated with the winning bidder.

Courtesy: Nalani Santiago-Kalmanson

69 DECORATED VALENTINE'S DAY COOKIES FOR 2013

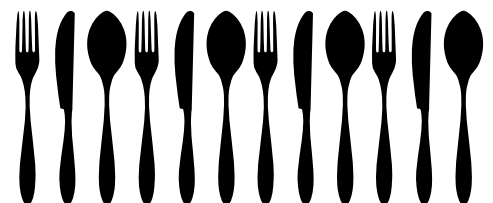
What's sweeter than to receive homemade cookies made with love on Valentine's Day? You'll get 2 dozen decorated Valentine sugar cookies, delivered to you or any other local destination on Valentine's Day 2013. How thoughtful!

Courtesy: Janine Venable DeZarn

70 PICKLES & PRESERVES POTLUCK GIFT BASKET

That crafty Katie! She's at it again in her kitchen, and this time it's homemade green tomato pickles and a variety of fruit preserves and jams that she's cooking up for you. Each jar is filled with nature, love and a little Malich magic!

Courtesy: Katie Malich



DINING FOR DOLLARS BIDDING INFORMATION

There will be a final event list available on the days of bidding. Bidding will take place on February 19th and 26th after the first service, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., and after the second service, from noon to 1:00 p.m. Tables will be set up in Forbes Hall for the silent auction bidding. Look at your calendars now, so you can bid on as many events and goodies as possible. Please note that the money donated (paid) for the winning bids is non-refundable. (The board-approved cancellation policy is available from Melanie Sharp, Chair of D4\$ Committee.) *Remember that the people who bid at the auction on Feb 26th will have the best chance of winning. And the decision(s) of the D4\$ committee will be final.*

If you're unable to attend the silent auction, you may alternatively submit your bid(s) by e-mail or by U.S. mail:

- The e-mail address that MUST be used is uusmdining4dollars@gmail.com
- The U.S. mail address used must be the church address.
- NO PHONE CALL BIDS will be accepted.
- If bid is received by Friday, Feb 17th, the bid(s) will be added to the appropriate bid sheet prior to the auction on February 19th;
- If bid is received by Friday, Feb 24th, the bid(s) will be added to the appropriate bid sheet prior to the auction on February 26th;
- If bid is received after Feb 24th, the bid(s) will not be counted.
- The following information must be included for each bid for an event:
 1. Event theme and date (both must match to an event), full name of person bidding, phone number, bid amount. The following information must be included for each bid for other items that are not events:
 2. Item offered and person providing (both must match to the offering), full name of person bidding, phone number, bid amount.
 3. One line per bid. One name per line. If the person bidding is NOT in the UCCSM directory, please include their home address with zip.

If you have questions about Dining for Dollars, please contact Melanie Sharp at 310-649-1074 or at the above e-mail address.

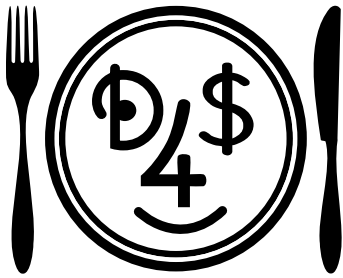
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