

# Big Hearts for Little Hearts Desert Guild eNEWSLETTER

IN SUPPORT OF LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

JANUARY 2016

## 2015 A GREAT YEAR FOR THE DESERT GUILD...

### A NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT:



Well here we are again, the start of a New Year. May 2016 bring good friends, kindness, joy, and good health to you and your families.

Like everyone else, it's a time for me to sit and reflect on what I did (or didn't do) in 2015 and what I hope to achieve in this coming year. How intertwined my personal aspirations have become with those of our Desert Guild...to be better, stronger, and more committed to achieving new goals. Many people speak of a vision board and how strongly it impacts their ability to achieve their desires. So here I go publicly with my vision board for our Guild in 2016:

- ♥ To increase our membership numbers – let's "build our Guild"
- ♥ To bring greater awareness of LLUCH and Big Hearts for Little Hearts Desert Guild to the Coachella Valley
- ♥ To involve the youth of our community in BHLH-DG
- ♥ To excite members to want to serve on our Board and to hear their fresh perspectives
- ♥ To raise lots of money of course!

It may not sound like much, but to accomplish these targets, WE NEED YOUR HELP. Our fundraisers are amazing...so bring a friend and ask them

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We may be a seasonal Guild, but at the end of every calendar year, it's valuable to take a look back and see how much we accomplished during the year and to thank those individuals responsible for our success. January and February were full of fruitful events. Thank you Sherry Cherlin, 2014-15 Cooking Demo Chair for the great lunches at Mastro's Steakhouse and Edge Steakhouse at the reopened Ritz Carton. Toscana

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**Do you know anyone who would like to become a member and join in our activities? If so, have them call Joan Woehrmann at (760) 328-2132 or email her at dizzybld1@aol.com**



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**2015, A Great Year,**

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Country Club was the beautiful backdrop for our inaugural Endowment Fund Dinner. Thank you Bonnie Timarac and Joyce Engel for a wonderfully successful evening. April showered in our Spring Hugs Help Healing Workshop with Nancy Volk as chair. Our local heroes, the Rancho Mirage and Loma Linda Fire Departments along with Fire Cadets from College of the Desert, exchanged their helmets for aprons and served local patrons at our second "Tip a Firefighter" day at The Old Spaghetti Factory in Rancho Mirage. Thank you Lizette Vela, Josh Zahid, and Tiffany Hoekstra for making the day happen. We fell into Fall with our second Hugs Help Healing Workshop in October with Sherry Cherlin stepping up again. Last, but certainly not least, our 2015-16 Cooking Chair Rhona Bader steered our final event of the calendar year with a hilarious cooking demo in November at Ristorante Mamma Gina on El Paseo. Congratulations to each and every one of you for your hard work and dedication. And thank you to all of the fabulous venues for their hospitality and collaboration. Let's keep up the great work in 2016. ❤️



**Note from President,**

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to join; come to a board meeting and give us your feedback; buy a teddy bear or send a tribute as a gift; and lastly, tell anyone and everyone you know about the difference our Guild makes in the life of a family whose child is ill.

Last month, our Hospital Tours Chair Dale Rotner organized a tour of the hospital, conducted by Dr. Shamel Abd-Allah, Chief of Pediatric Critical Care Medicine. During the tour, Dale asked where the sleeping chairs were that we purchased for the Desert

Guild Family Waiting Room. Well, they aren't in the waiting room any longer because now they are in the hospital rooms instead. Parents are using them to sleep next to their children at night. This is a perfect example of how something so seemingly small makes a huge difference in a parent's life. To be able to sleep next to their child means everything...to both parent AND child. That's how our Guild makes a difference and that's where raising more \$\$ means so much. Dr. Abd-Allah says the PICU needs five more chairs for these

parents.....a new item on our list of goals for this season.

So why help? The answer is quite simple... there are over 400 very worthwhile charities in the Coachella Valley, BUT THERE IS ONLY ONE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL – LOMA LINDA UNIVERSITY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL, and it's OUR CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL.

Lastly, and worth repeating, may you all have a happy, healthy, and fulfilling New Year. ❤️

Terry Seigel





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# THANK YOU KESQ AND JEFF STAHL...

for once again featuring BIG HEARTS FOR LITTLE HEARTS DESERT GUILD on the local news. On January 4th, the KESQ News 3 at Noon featured Jeff interviewing Debbie Casden and Terry Seigel about our upcoming events: January 25th Cooking Demo at Hideaway Golf Club in La Quinta, February 18th Cooking Demo at Bellatrix at The Classic Club, and March 15th An Evening of Girlfriends, Glamour & Giving at Toscana Country Club. We so appreciate KESQ and Jeff Stahl for their willingness to highlight our events and our wonderful cause. If you haven't signed up yet, visit [LLUCH.ORG/GUILDS](http://LLUCH.ORG/GUILDS) and click on Desert Guild. Or, we have a direct website for each event at [LLUCH.ORG/COOKING\\_DEMO](http://LLUCH.ORG/COOKING_DEMO) and [LLUCH.ORG/GLAMOUR](http://LLUCH.ORG/GLAMOUR). ❤️



## website

[lluchdesertguild.org](http://lluchdesertguild.org)

## webpages

### Events

**Hugs Help Healing Workshop:** [lluch.org/hhh](http://lluch.org/hhh)

**Cooking Demonstration Series:** [lluch.org/cookingdemo](http://lluch.org/cookingdemo)

**Girlfriends, Glamour & Giving:** [lluch.org/glamour](http://lluch.org/glamour)



### Membership:

[lluch.org/dgm](http://lluch.org/dgm)

### Woolley-Pettis Endowed Chair:

[lluch.org/wp](http://lluch.org/wp)



# LADIES AND GENTLEMEN. MARK YOUR CALENDARS...



**January 25, 2016**  
COOKING DEMONSTRATION  
The Hideaway Golf Club  
[www.lluch.org/cookingdemo](http://www.lluch.org/cookingdemo)



**March 15, 2016**  
AN EVENING OF GIRLFRIENDS,  
GLAMOUR & GIVING  
Toscana Country Club  
[www.lluch.org/glamour](http://www.lluch.org/glamour)



**February 18, 2016**  
COOKING DEMONSTRATION  
Bellatrix Restaurant  
[www.lluch.org/cookingdemo](http://www.lluch.org/cookingdemo)

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