

# Point Loma Assembly

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*Our May 21 Luau was a festive gathering, with food and mai tais by Bali Hai and music by Apt 4 Music. We welcomed our new Board of Directors, announced our grant recipients and recognized our business sponsors*



### **Point Loma Assembly's Mission:**

To promote literary, social, educational, philanthropic, civic, and artistic work, and to restore and maintain the Assembly building at 3035 Talbot Street.

**Point Loma Assembly is fortunate to have strong community collaboration with the Laub Family Trust, the Point Loma Foundation, Point Loma Optimist Club, Point Loma Rotary and POPS.**

## Message from the President

by Pam Fuchs

The last message that I have for you is THANK YOU! Because of you members we have started a restoration project that will give you pride and enhance rentals



in the future. You have enthusiastically supported all of the activities that the ACCESS committee provided to Cabrillo Elementary School. You have been good sports at giving your Board of

Directors a chance to develop new meeting times and format. You have been supportive of me during my time as your President. You are the best.

Congratulations to Rosamaria Acuña and the newly elected members of the Board of Directors. While the Assembly begins its dark time in July, the new Board will be making plans for a 2026-2027 year.

Enjoy the summer and remember to RENEW your membership. You are the Assembly.

*My best, Pam*

## Our Board of Directors

2026-2027

**President** Rosamaria Acuña **NEW**

**Co-Vice Presidents**

Wendy Rosenthal and Judy Garrett **NEW**

**Secretary** Peggy Tracy **NEW**

**Treasurer** Kate Rubalcava

**Access Committee**

Melanie Sherman and Sue Stone

**Communications and Historian** Marty Smith

**Hospitality** Melinda Medina

**House/Restorations** Beth Collado

**Legacy** Carolyn Bick

**Membership** Sally A. Bixler

**Philanthropy** Linda Weber **NEW**

**Thank you to our outgoing officers: Pam Fuchs, Leslie Harrington, Victory Lareau.**



Thank you to our business sponsors: All Aboard Charcuterie & Provisions, Arts District Liberty Station, Bali Hai Restaurant, Brigantine Restaurants, Call Glenn Again Handyman Services, Cura Consulting, Cygnet Theatre, Diane Sullivan Realty, Driscoll, Inc., Girl Scouts of San Diego, Good Point Gasoline, Jensen's Foods, La Playa Books, Little House of Flowers, Michele Kitchin Realtor, Point Loma Advisors, Point Loma Playhouse, Robert Realty, Robert Tripp Jackson Broker Southern Peninsula Properties LLC, Rosamaria Acuña, Realtor, Ryan Family YMCA, Service Kings, Solare Ristorante, The Hartley Company Insurance, U.S. Bank Point Loma and Visions Museum of Textile Art, Westminster Presbyterian Church.

**RENT THE ASSEMBLY** Rate is \$480 for four hours. Discount for charitable organizations. Visit [pointlomaassembly.org/rentals](http://pointlomaassembly.org/rentals).

## Membership Update

by Sally A. Bixler, Membership Chair

A big THANK YOU to all of you that have already sent me your dues renewal for the 2026-2027 membership year, either by sending your check or paying online. We have streamlined this process, so it has proven to be a popular option. I have heard from almost half of you!

Your dues help us continue our good work and maintains our "clubhouse" for you and our community. Please respond to my letter if you have not already done so. We would like to have all renewals complete by the end of June. Thank you.

**TO RENEW ONLINE:** [pointlomaassembly.org](http://pointlomaassembly.org).. Go to the MEMBERSHIP tab and click on JOIN/PAY/UPDATE. On the left side of the page, click Electronic Options and follow the directions to update your contact information in Step 1 and pay using our Membership Payment Portal via Square or Zelle in Step 2.

The Portuguese Historical Center Presents



A CONTINUING SYMPOSIUM SERIES

PRESENTED BY RICK FREITAS

### EXPLORING THE ISLANDS OF THE AZORES Part IV: The History of Faial, Azores

12:30pm  
Sunday, June, 14 2026

St. Agnes School  
1140 Evergreen St  
San Diego, CA 92106

Light Portuguese refreshments will be provided  
Suggested \$15 donation at the door (Cash or Venmo)



## New Name

## New Summer Hours

La Playa Books has changed its name! Now known as Roseville Books, owner Amy Hesselink is excited to continue her father's bookstore as a community partner in the Point Loma Village. Special hours for the month of June only will be 10 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Thursday-Monday, 11 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sunday, Closed on Tuesday /Wednesday.

## EXCITING LIVE JAZZ WITH ... THE SOTO SIX



MONDAY, JUNE 15  
6:30-7:30 PM  
POINT LOMA/HERVEY BRANCH LIBRARY

FREE ADMISSION! ALL AGES!  
3701 VOLTAIRE ST, SAN DIEGO, CA



## 2026 Grant Awards and Philanthropy Committee Updates

by *Carolyn Bick*

### *Philanthropy Committee Chair*

Together with our members and supporters, Point Loma Assembly continues to increase its Philanthropy in the Peninsula Community! This is the third year of Point Loma Assembly's formal Grant Program. Due to our membership dues, fundraising activities, donations and rental revenues, we were able to expand the number of grants awarded this year from 8 to 12 and increase the funding granted from \$15,000 to \$19,500.

- **Point Loma Summer Concerts: \$2,500**

2026 concert season support

- **Classics 4 Kids: \$1,500**

Bus transportation and tickets for Title 1 Peninsula Elementary school students to attend award winning educational concerts at the Balboa and/or Joan B. Kroc Theatres .

- **The EcoLogik Institute: \$2,000**

STEAM Leadership Academy for females during the school year, an extension of the Cabrillo Summer Camp.

- **Point Loma High School Music Boosters: \$1,000**

Support towards the 2026 Marching Band field show music and choreography.

- **Visions Museum of Textile Art: \$1,500**

2026 expansion and added textile art education for students from High Tech High.

- **Ryan YMCA: \$2,500**

Fall 2026 Learn to Swim Classes for 35 elementary students from Dewey Elementary School.

- **Peninsula Community Senior Center: \$2,000**  
Community Connection Programs for homebound seniors.

- **Correia Instrumental Music Assoc.: \$500**  
Music tutors to support student music ensembles at Correia Middle School.

- **My Good Brain: \$500**  
Art therapy and mental wellness tool kits for Dewey and Cabrillo Elementary school students.

- **San Diego Craft Collective: \$1,000**  
May 2026 Fiber Festival celebrating fiber arts, wool, and sheep farming at Liberty Station.

- **Cygnnet Theatre: \$2,000**  
2026 Cygnnet Theatre Education Outreach Programs for Point Loma Students.

- **Apt 4 Music: \$2,500**  
Continuation of the 2025 pilot Music Makers Program at Cabrillo Elementary providing onsite music education for 140 students. Grant application forms and criteria for next year can be found on our website at : [pontlomaassembly.org](http://pontlomaassembly.org) under the Philanthropy tab. Grant applications will be accepted from January 2, 2027, through February 28, 2027.

## LIBERTY STATION

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA



### ANCHORED IN FREEDOM PARADE COMING TO LIBERTY STATION!

Mark your calendars for Friday, July 3, 2026. [Anchored in Freedom: An Independence Day Celebration](#) is coming to Liberty Station in honor of America's 250th birthday and the U.S. Navy's lasting legacy on these historic grounds.

## ACCESS Update

(Assembly & Cabrillo Collaborating to Encourage Student Success)

by Sue Stone, ACCESS Co-Chair

Cabrillo Elementary School's needs are still profound, but during the 2025-2026 year, the Assembly helped in many ways. Volunteers worked in the classrooms with literacy and math. The Arts were supported with classes at Liberty School. On-campus enrichment included the Air and Space Museum's mobile science laboratory, soccer nets, a pop-up theater presented by La Jolla Playhouse, a refurbished Reading Room. Spirit shirts and books were given to each student. Field trips to Natural History Museum, Birch Aquarium, and Junior Theater enriched the learning experiences. Twenty volunteers worked a STEAM night for Cabrillo parents at our Assembly Hall. The Assembly receives a flood of Thank you notes throughout the year. Here are a few excerpts:

### From students:

- *I really like reading with you.....On my reading test **Yahoo** you made my score go up.*
- *Field trip learning is the best. Thank you for the museum and shirts. Signed 1<sup>st</sup> time at a museum!*
- *I love everything you gave us. I wish I will grow up to be like you guys. And be sweet like you guys.*
- *You spoil us and make our school better.*

### From a parent:

*We are so grateful to have a supportive community surrounding our Cabrillo Explorers.*

### • From a staff member:

*With funding becoming non-existent, we are so thankful for the much needed support and extended family.*



so thankful for the much needed support Melanie Sherman and I, Sue Stone, as ACCESS co-chairs, want to thank the members of Point Loma Assembly and the Board of Directors for the unwavering support of the projects at Cabrillo Elementary School. The Assembly is an important part of making it "The best little school in Point Loma."

Happy  
4<sup>th</sup> of July



LA PLAYA TRAIL  
ASSOCIATION  
PRESENTS

Modern  
Point Loma:  
Architects  
Robert Mosher  
and Roy Drew  
on the Point

Presented by Keith York

JUNE 16, 2026  
DOORS OPEN 5:30PM  
LECTURE BEGINS 6:00PM

POINT LOMA ASSEMBLY  
3035 TALBOT STREET  
SAN DIEGO, CA 92106

SUGGESTED DONATION \$10 AT THE DOOR



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# Beautiful!

A custom made metal fire screen adds the finishing touch to our beautiful craftsman designed fireplace at the heart of our beloved hall"



Exhibitions Closing June 20th - See Them Before They're Gone!



CAMILLE & VANESSA GALLERY  
*San Diego Textile Scene*  
Feb 14, 2026 to Jun 20, 2026

GALLERY 2 (NAMING AVAILABLE)\*  
*CYANOTYPE*  
Feb 14, 2026 to Jun 20, 2026

DR. SANDRA ANN EDWIN GALLERY  
*I Find Little Treasures*  
by Vanessa Freitag  
Feb 14, 2026 to Jun 20, 2026

SPOTLIGHT GALLERY  
*Unsettled Artifacts* by Jill Marie  
Holslin  
May 12, 2026 to June 20, 2026

\*Interested in sponsoring a gallery?  
Email info@vmota.org to discuss our  
gallery naming opportunities.

Two of our Cyanotype artists were featured in a podcast called *Why Make?* You can listen to it with a few visuals on our Youtube Channel.

The Point Loma Artists Association  
*is proud to present*

## EXCEPTIONAL JOURNEY

an Art Exhibition  
Point Loma Hervey Library  
Sunday, April 5th through Sunday June 26th  
*Opening Reception*  
Saturday, April 18th, 2-4 pm

PORT of SAN DIEGO Experiences

# BIG BAY BOOM

SATURDAY | JULY 4 | 2026 | 9:15PM

Non-profit partner:  
FLEET WEEK SAN DIEGO

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Kona Kai Resort & Spa • Flagship Cruises  
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