

## Placentia Founders Society

# The Green Shingle

News from the Bradford House

Fall 2018



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## 'Tis the season at the House

### On the Calendar



Tuesdays, Nov. 13, Jan. 15  
& Feb. 19—PFS Board  
Meeting, 6:45 p.m.

Sundays, Dec. 9, Jan. 13 &  
Feb. 10—Public tours,  
2-4 p.m.

Fri., Nov. 23—House  
Holiday Decorating,  
9 a.m.-12 noon

Sun., Nov. 25—Art  
Gallerie open, 1-4 p.m.

Thurs., Dec. 6—Chamber of  
Commerce Mixer,  
5-8 pm.

 Tues., Dec. 25—  
MERRY  
CHRISTMAS

Tues., Jan. 1—HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

Tues., Jan. 2—Un-decorate  
the House, 9-11 a.m.

Sun., Jan. 20—Concert,  
Trio de Janeiro, 3 p.m.

Sun., Feb. 3—Concert,  
flute-harp duo, 3 p.m.

*The Placentia Founders Society  
cordially invites you to attend our*

### *Holiday Party*

*Sunday, December 2, 2018*

*4:30-7 p.m.*

*at the Bradford House*

*136 Palm Circle, Placentia*

*RSVP: 714-993-2470*

*by Monday, November 26*

Members and their guests are invited to come to the Bradford House from 4:30-7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 2, to enjoy food and fun as PFS kicks off the holiday season.

The festive dining room table will be loaded with goodies, and Pianist Carolann Tasio will be back this year to set a seasonal tone. (See photo below.)

Santa is expected to drop by with his bag of presents for partygoers.

The party committee, chaired by Activities VP Tina Maraj, has been planning to make this a "very special event."

### Get into the holiday spirit

The day after Thanksgiving, Friday, Nov. 23, the house will be decorated for the holidays. Plan to join the fun and demonstrate your creative talents beginning at 9 a.m.

If baking is your favorite Christmas tradition, you can share your goodies at the members-only party Dec. 2. Call the House, 714-993-2470, to let Activities VP Tina Maraj know if you're bringing an hors d'oeuvre or holiday sweet.

### PFS to host mixer

The PFS board will "mix it up" with community business persons as hosts for a Placentia Chamber of Commerce mixer at the Bradford House Thursday, Dec. 6, from 5-7 p.m. Activities VP Tina Maraj, a Chamber member, is coordinating the event.



## From the President's Desk



Judie Dee

The past few months have been challenging for the Placentia Founders Society, as we bid farewell to two friends, Eleanore Rankin and Kay Pfaffle. Both were dedicated to preserving the Bradford House for our community and gave a lot of their time and talents toward making our tasks easier. We will keep the memories of these special ladies in our hearts forever.

Even though we were rained out of the Heritage Day festivities, Tina Maraj, VP-

Activities, prepared a unique booth display that we can use for the 2019 event. Thank you, Tina.

The holiday season will be here soon! Stores are already stocked with decorations, so save these dates:

\* *Friday, November 23*, to help us decorate the house from 9 a.m. until noon. The end results are always breathtaking, as we imagine the Bradfords celebrating the holidays.

\* *Sunday, December 2*, for our

annual members' holiday party from 4:30 p.m. until 7 p.m. This event will help get you in the spirit of the season.

\* *Thursday, December 6*, the Chamber of Commerce will join us for their holiday celebration, and then on

\* *Sunday, December 9*, the public is invited to view the decorated house. Bring your friends from 2 to 4 p.m.

Please consider volunteering to help us in any way you can. We guarantee you new friends, while having fun.

## Trio de Janeiro to open 2019 chamber concert season

"A Viennese Afternoon With the Trio de Janeiro" is on the calendar to open the 28th Annual Bradford House Chamber Concert Series at 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 20. The concert is the first of four free programs in the 2019 season. Doors for all concerts will open at 2:30 p.m.

The program includes the Beethoven Trio in B-flat Major, Op.11, and Schubert's Trio in B-flat Major, D898.

The piano trio consists of Haroutune Bedelian, violin; Lorna Griffitt, piano, and Armen Ksajikian, cello. Bedelian and Griffin are on the faculty at the University of California, Irvine, and Ksajikian is assistant principal cellist with the Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra.

A flute-harp duo will perform music from around the world at 3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 3. Flutist Cynthia Ellis and Harpist Cristina Montes-Mateo will play music from Italy, Russia, France and a solo harp piece, Winter Spirits by Katherine Hoover, inspired by Native American music. Duets will be sonatas by Nino Rota and Adrian

Schaposchnikov and Camille Saint-Saens' "Fantasie, Op. 124.

Ellis has been solo piccoloist with Pacific Symphony since 1979, has served as principal flute for Opera Pacific and performs with orchestras throughout Southern California. She currently teaches applied music at Saddleback College and Vanguard University.

Montes-Mateo is solo harpist at the Orquestra de la Comunitat Valenciana in Spain and has been principal harp with the Munich Philharmonic and Royal Liverpool Philharmonic orchestras and gives master classes throughout the U.S. and Europe. She currently lives in Los Angeles, her base for solo concerts and recording sessions. Other concerts in the Bradford House Chamber Concert season are the Santiago String Quartet on March 3 and Con Fuoco!, a string quartet, on Saturday, April 6. Information is available by leaving a message at the Bradford House at (714) 993-2470 or at [www.thebradfordhouse.info](http://www.thebradfordhouse.info).



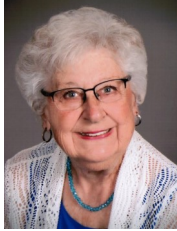
**Trio de Janeiro** musicians Haroutne Bedelian, violin; Lorna Griffitt, piano; and Armen Ksajikian, cello, will perform Jan. 20.



**Chamber music** will again fill the House on Feb. 3, when Cristina Montes-Mateo and Cindy Ellis play.

# In Remembrance

The Placentia Founders Society is mourning the loss of two long-time members, who spent many hours working on the board of directors



**Eleanore Rankin**

in support of the Bradford House. Eleanore "Ellie" Rankin, who was serving as membership chair, died Aug. 18, and Kay Pfaffle, PFS' education VP, passed away Sept. 28.

Both Ellie and Kay were known and respected in the Placentia community they called "home" for many years. And both remained active contributors until their deaths, despite ongoing battles with cancer.

Ellie had served in several capacities with PFS, including as president. As her health diminished and she needed to cut back her

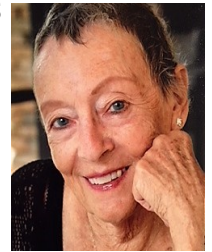
activities, she continued her work as membership chair for PFS. She rejoiced in every membership she brought in, knowing it would help sustain the historic house she loved.



**Ellie and Kay enjoyed old-fashioned Christmas.**

Her stature in the community was attested to by the hundreds who attended her memorial service.

Kay had served PFS as vice president of education for many years. She managed the docent program, scheduling tours for schools, community organizations and monthly open houses.



**Kay Pfaffle**

A long-time elementary teacher in the Placentia-Yorba Linda Unified School District, she developed curricular materials for teachers to prepare students for visits to the Bradford House.

Her family is planning a private celebration of life for Kay at the Bradford House, where she devoted so much loving time.

## PFS board, members keep business, activities going

With the loss of two board members who filled active positions, other members are taking on additional duties.

*Geri Bennett* and *Carolyn Davis*, director at large, are stepping up to schedule school tours and Sunday open houses, respectively, filling the vacancy left by Kay Pfaffle, who served as VP-Education until shortly before her death.

*Janet Hayes*, director at large, is handling membership duties, filling the position left by Eleanore Rankin. Special thanks goes to member *Nona Seny*, Mrs. Rankin's daughter, for helping transition records and mailing lists from Mrs. Rankin's computer.

Board members *Wendy Elliott*, *Nancy Murray* and *Beth Woodard* are prepping the House for tours.

## What's new at the old House

Maintenance and repairs are ongoing projects that keep House maintenance chair John Walcek busy.

One of the most recent projects is replacement of the exterior basement doors. Locks and paint will complete the job.

A patch of siding ripped loose by vandals also was repaired on the east side of the House.

### PFS docents go to court

PFS docents Pat Graham and Wendy Elliott got an introduction to the Fullerton Superior Court during a meeting of the Orange County Docents League in September. Courthouse Docent Coordinator Rick Valdez explained docent duties at the Courthouse, before escorting attendees to view four different court proceedings.

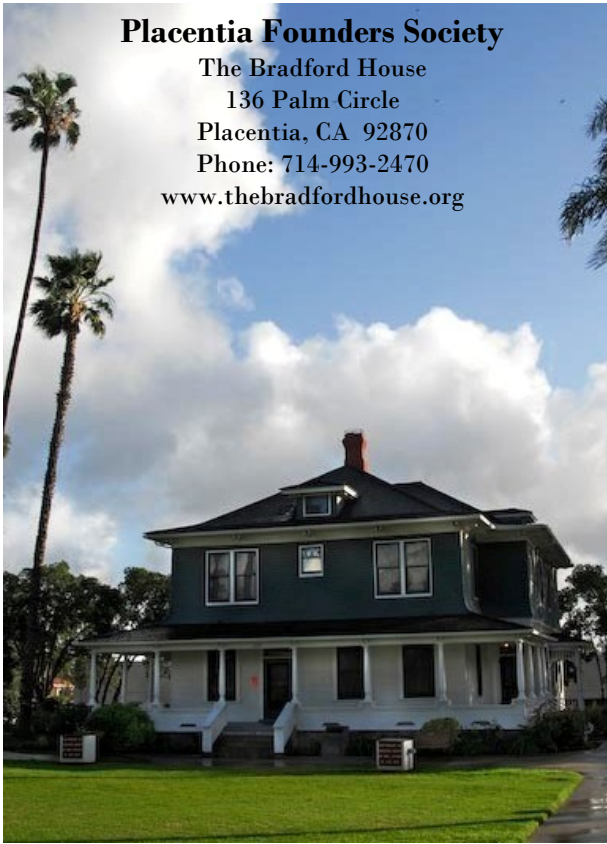
OCDL, of which PFS is a member, meets quarterly to share programs and ideas.



**New cellar doors, waiting for fresh, white paint, provide more security.**

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### The Bradford House

#### Placentia Founders Society Officers , 2018-19

President—Judie Dee  
VP-Activities—Tina Maraj  
VP-Curator—Beth Woodard  
VP-Education—Vacant  
Secretary—Nancy Murray  
Treasurer—Michelle  
Coddington  
Parliamentarian—Alice  
Husovsky  
**Executive Committee**  
Art Gallerie—John Walcek  
Concerts—Lynda Baker  
E-media—Tina Maraj  
Historian—Pat Graham  
Maintenance—John Walcek  
Directors-at-Large— Carolyn  
Davis, Wendy Elliott and  
Janet Hayes  
Membership—Vacant  
Newsletter—Lynda Baker,  
Tina Maraj

The Placentia Founders Society was established in 1974 to preserve and maintain the Bradford House, which was built in 1902. Now it is a living museum, providing a glimpse into the lives of a pioneering family who made their fortune in the citrus industry. The House is open to the public for docent-led tours from 2-4 p.m. the second Sunday of each month.

## New carpet laid in 'Hartwell bedroom'



**New carpet** replaces one that was ripping and presented a hazard for House visitors.



**Mystery Cup?** Curator Beth Woodard found this cup in the back of the dining room china cupboard. If anyone knows anything about it, she'd like to know. Leave a message at 714-993-2470.