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# THE CHANNEL ISLANDS STAR

## President's Message

Greetings members,

We are close to mid-year and we have put a quite a few events together and alas several have been marred with some misfortune. The crazy weather has many of us bundled up still trying to keeping warm. Most recently we received the sad news that Dianne (affectionately known as "Lady Dye") Drechsler' had passed away on March 28<sup>th</sup>. She and Richard had just been married on Valentine's day. **(Additional details on page 4)**

There is a great deal of truth in experiencing the silver lining after the clouds. We currently have the following events planned for the summer, mystery drive and lunch. We also have a tour lined up to visit the Petersen Museum. See the following pages for more information.

The silver lining I speak of is that I'm glad to share that Richard "Dick" Drechsler is joining the board as our Ways and Means director. Richard is eager to share his time and talent with us. He will be assisting us lead events and help us grow our membership.

Thank you Richard we are looking forward to working with you.

We still have several other board positions available and welcome a call, text or email from any member who is interested.

Peter.

Peter Samaha  
President, MBCACI  
(805) 890-8489.

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**SIGN UP FOR  
OUR MEMBER MYSTERY DRIVE LUNCH  
SUNDAY, JUNE 23rd, 2019 10:30 AM  
MYSTERY Wine and Food  
Meet at Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf in  
Camarillo  
ADDRESS: 824 Arneil road, Camarillo CA  
93010  
Questions:  
Text Tamara Samaha: (805) 844-0844  
Call or Text Peter: (805) 890-8489  
E-Mail [psamaha@msn.com](mailto:psamaha@msn.com)**

**Do you have an idea for an event?  
Would you like to host an event or offer  
your home as a host location?  
\*\*\*\*We welcome your ideas and  
anyone who wants to volunteer to host  
or plan an event this year can reach out  
to us\*\*\*\*  
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### Mystery Drive, Food and Wine



**Sunday June 23rd**  
**10:30am -1:00pm**



Come enjoy a mid-day travel experience with us on a mystery drive adventure. Relish a picturesque drive through our local countryside and then food and wine awaits us at the end of our journey. We will meet at the Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf in Camarillo at 10:30am. The drive will take about 35-60 minutes and we will end up at a mystery location where you can enjoy a lovely atmosphere with friends sipping wine and dining on tasty morsels of food.



Cost is \$30/per couple (includes wine and surprise lunch)

**RSVP by June 15th**

Meeting Location: Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf

- 824 Arneil road, Camarillo CA 93010

### Questions:

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**\*\*\*Cliplless Reservation\*\*\* or we'll take traditional snail mail too ☺**

**Reserve your spot to attend the Mystery Drive and Lunch**

**Text Peter your RSVP.** Tamara can guide you through using Venmo and Zelle or

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**RSVP by June 15th**

**Peter (805.890.8489) mail to: 1600 Hobart**

**Camarillo, CA 93010**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I/we will be attending the Mystery drive/lunch event on June 23<sup>rd</sup> 2019

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my check in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



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**Murphy Auto Museum Tour  
August 11<sup>th</sup>  
11:30am -1:30pm**

Come spend the day with fellow car enthusiasts and enjoy a tour of a local auto museum. The feature cars are always changing so even if you have been before you might see something new. After our tour we will have the option to order lunch in or caravan to a local place of our choosing.



Cost is \$10/per person (includes tour & parking)

**RSVP by August 2**

**Meeting Location: Murphy Auto Museum  
2230 Statham Blvd, Oxnard, CA 93033**

**Questions:**

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**E-Mail [psamaha@msn.com](mailto:psamaha@msn.com)**



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**Reserve your spot to attend the Murphy Automobile tour event**

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**RSVP by August 2nd**

**Peter (805.890.8489) mail to: 1600 Hobart**

**Camarillo, CA 93010**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State & Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I/we will be attending the Murphy Automobile tour event on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Number of People Attending: \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed is my check in the amount of: \$ \_\_\_\_\_



# Farewell to Lady Dye

Contributed By Tamara Samaha



Below is an excerpt from her memorial

Dianne “Lady Dye” Drechsler was born in 1937 in Portland, Oregon, Dianne was a newlywed, having just married her husband, Richard “Dick” Drechsler on Valentine’s Day. Dick and Dianne met two years ago and it was love at first sight. They were engaged within two weeks!

After graduating from New York University with a degree in structural engineering, she worked for the country’s largest bridge design firm, located on Park Avenue in New York City. It was her profession for 8 years before opening her first beauty salon in Seattle, Washington to pursue her passion for fashion.

She traveled much of the world, often by boat or private plane. Lady Dye had a lifelong fascination with sail and power boats and over the years owned three sailboats and two power boats. Her favorite sailing experience was exploring the San Juan and Canada’s Gulf Islands, which she reported have the best Dungeness crab in the world.

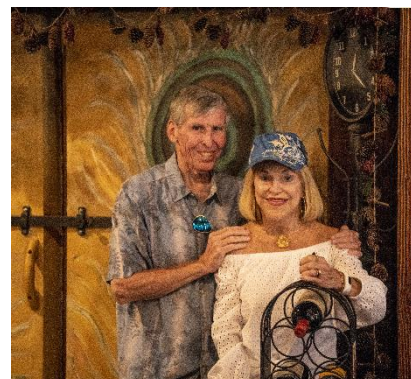
Lady Dye arrived in the area over 30 years ago. She was cruising aboard a 65-foot power boat en route from the Pacific Northwest to Marina Del Rey. It seems that Lady Dye was prone to love at first sight, because after seeing the Ventura Harbor, she never left. Lady Dye started and owned two salons, Hairacy 1 & 2 in the area, hence the nickname, as hair dye was her specialty.

Dianne is survived by her husband, her two daughters Nina McDonald and Kelly Galvin, as well as grandchildren Bradley, Karina, JP, Riley and Mickey.

Peter and I had the pleasure of attending the Celebration of Life for Dianne which was held at her beloved Channel Islands Yacht Club, on, May 5, 2019. Richard described the burial at sea sharing with how the sun came out and was shining as they spread her ashes on the water. We could see the sparkle in his eyes and knew she was at peace.



Dianne shows off her raffle prize winning at our 2018 Cliff House event



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**SAVE THESE DATES**

**SUNDAY, JUNE 23<sup>RD</sup> MYSTERY DRIVE EVENT**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 11<sup>TH</sup> MURPHY AUTOMOBILE MUSEUM**

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