

# VOICE OF THE ANGELS

Spring 2023

## Greetings From President Leary

I would like to introduce myself. For those who do not know me, my name is Tess Leary and I have been a member of the Arnold Angels for many years, as well as a full-time resident of Calaveras County for 44 years. The 2020 COVID Worldwide Pandemic rendered the Angels inactive; then in 2021, our President became ill and was no longer able to fulfill her responsibilities. Many Angel members wanted this organization to continue and a new board was formed. I was elected President.

The new board's goal is to expand fundraising so we can continue to support the various organizations and schools in the Hwy 4 Community. In past years, our Christmas Luncheon and No Bake/Bake Sale were the sole fundraisers. But we are not content with just these efforts and currently are considering new fundraisers including a raffle for a New Melones Reservoir Houseboat Get-Away and/or an Arizona Spring Training VRBO 'Vaca'.

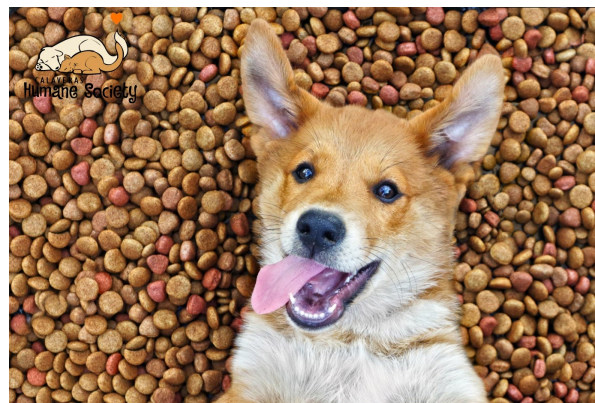
In order to communicate our progress, we held a Summer Luncheon (this year held at Sequoia Woods) where current and new members were brought up to date.

On March 11th the Ebbetts Pass Fire Department will participate in the annual Burn Center Campers Pancake Breakfast and Day on the Slopes, hosting approximately 60 children. The Angels provide gift bags to the campers and will

be at the breakfast to assist the fire fighters. The Angels also offer support in the fund raising efforts of Calaveras County Hospice, Ebbetts Pass Fire Department and other organizations by providing volunteer hours stuffing envelopes for mailers.

Our board meets at Sequoia Woods bi-monthly on the second Tuesday and enthusiastically welcomes new members. Our next meeting is scheduled for March 14th at 2:00pm.

It has been an honor to be part of this great organization and I look forward to continuing to serve in the future. We encourage suggestions and will do our best to answer your questions. Please visit our web site [thearnoldangels.org](http://thearnoldangels.org) for more information and/or email me at [tesst1@comcast.net](mailto:tesst1@comcast.net).



**THANK YOU** to  
**The Arnold Angels**

Many, many thanks to the incredibly kind women of the Arnold Angels for their generosity. They purchased \$500 of food for our Pet Food Bank Program.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Ebbetts Pass Fire District is hosting its annual snow/ski experience for burn victims. We will be contributing and assembling snack bags in March.

We will be updating members about cookies available for sale from the Angels at various local businesses and events. Of course, they'll be shaped as angels!

## ARNOLD ANGELS MEMORIES

by Anne Friborg-Evans

Laurie Andrade started the Arnold Angels in 2002 to help Hospice of the Sierras with their mailings. She invited a group of ladies to her home for lunch and we volunteered to help organize the Arnold Angels. In addition to helping Hospice we volunteered our time for the fire departments, the Arnold Lions, and White Pines Park.

The mailings were fun and it was amazing how fast we could get the job done. After each mailing Laurie and her husband Ron would provide a lunch for the helpers. It was a great time to socialize!

We also wanted to help out the music departments at the local schools as their funds had been cut. We developed an Arnold Angels cookbook, "Heavenly Delights" and sponsored golf tournaments. Now the Angels sponsor a "no bake sale" to solicit donations from our members.

The Angels began hosting the annual Christmas luncheons in 2004 to gather volunteers and celebrate the success of our fundraising efforts. For several years the music departments of the local

schools entertained us. This was the highlight of the luncheons.

Arnold Angels has been a special part of my life in Arnold and I'm so happy that it is still active and helping our community!

## ARNOLD ANGELS DONATIONS

### 2022

The Arnold Angels donated over \$4000 to local organizations. Educational donations included Hazel Fischer, Michelson, and Avery Middle schools. With the help of our donations, children attending Hazel Fischer School and Michelson School were able to attend the annual ski trip. Our donation also made it possible for all sixth graders from Avery Middle School to attend an Ocean Field Trip. Donations to feed those in need were made to the Resource Connection, Chapel in the Pines and the Hazel Fischer Feed the Families. Additionally, donations were made to White Pines Park, EPFD burn victims and the community dinner for Thanksgiving at the Moose Lodge.

## THE ARNOLD ANGELS BOARD

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