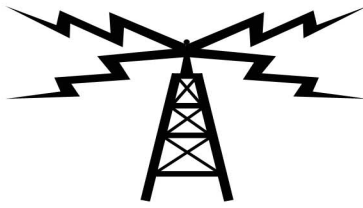


# Retirees' Voice



**UFCW 324 Retirees' Club**

Lou Cruz, President

Office: (714)995-4601 Ext.140

Hours: Wednesdays Only – 9 -11 am

Email: Retirees324@outlook.com

## 2025 News



**Wednesday, January 15, 2025**

Theme: Mardi Gras

Lunch is served 12n

Menu: BBQ Chicken

Last day for reservations: Jan. 8

Member: \$9.00 Guest: \$14.00

### Upcoming Events

Wed. January 1 - office closed

Fri/Sat/Sun – Jan. 10/11/12 – Stamp Show

Tues. January 14 - board meeting 1p

Wed. January 15 – luncheon

Mon. January 20- office closed

Martin Luther King Jr . day

Sun. January 26 – Record Show



**Wednesday, February 19, 2025**

Theme: Valentine's

Lunch is served 12n

Menu: Pepper Steak

Last day for reservations: Feb. 12

Member: \$9.00 Guest: \$14.00

### Upcoming Events

Wed. February 12 – Party Bingo 12n

Mon. February 17 – office closed – Presidents' Day

Tues. February 18 – board meeting 1p

Wed. February 19 – luncheon

Sun. February 23 – Record Show

Tues. February 25 – mail newsletter

### **Message from President Lou Cruz,**

As we step into the New Year, I want to express my sincere gratitude for everyone's hard work and dedication this past year. You, the members, make this a great club.

May the coming year be filled with joy, love and good health.

Doors open at 10:30 am. Lunch is served at 12 noon but come early to buy your raffle tickets as all sales close at 11:45 am, and that includes buying your lunch ticket for the next month. If you have any questions regarding lunch tickets, please see Chanda Sonkur or call her at (562)209-5092.

Requesting your lunch tickets by mail? Please mark your envelope "lunch tickets" and send check to :

Dues are due: \$24.00

UFCW 324 Retirees' Club  
Buena Park CA 90622-5004



If it's your birthday month, please call Dawn Morrissey at (562)305-2853 to receive your free lunch.

**Turning 90?** If you are an active member celebrating your 90<sup>th</sup> birthday or more, and have been an active member for five (5) years, your dues and luncheons may be paid for by the Club. Please call Dawn to make your lunch reservation.

**Need a Name Tag?** See Dawn. And don't forget to wear it!

**HELPING HANDS PROJECT**

We no longer collect fronts of greeting cards. However, we continue to collect pull tabs from all cans. These tabs are given to Ronald McDonald House. Used eye glasses currently collected. Your help is greatly appreciated.

**John R. Cortez Food Bank**

Donations appreciated. For every five food items donated, or \$5.00, you will be given a ticket for the drawing in March. Please put your name on the ticket.



The food bank is for retirees and Local 324 members. Please contact Annette at 714-995-4601 ext. 137

**COME BOWL WITH US**

Join us on Tuesday mornings 9:30 am  
Linbrook Bowl, 201 S. Brookhurst, Anaheim  
Questions? Call Chuck Morrissey (562)305-2854  
No experience necessary. No team obligation  
We need bowlers & would love to hear from you!

**Welcome** new members Julie Heiss, Tracy Ladbury and Ray Meorado. They joined us in December. Adele Bridge, retiree from Ralphs, is joining us in January as she is now recovering from the flu.

We know you will enjoy the club and are so happy you have joined us!



**SUNSHINE COMMITTEE**

Your sunshine committee is here to send a cheerful greeting to our members in need of a few "Thinking of You" or "Get Well Soon" wishes. Don't forget, without your help we cannot send these special greetings. Please contact Diana Eastman at (714)292-4255.

Get well cards sent to Mary Jane McCallum, Shirley McKenzie, Carol Parisi and Marianne Todd

**IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN**

**DUES ARE DUE January 1<sup>st</sup>.** You will be able to pay your 2025 dues of \$24.00 at the luncheons or mail your remittance to the retirees' office and mark your envelope "dues". Questions? Please contact treasurer Chanda Sonkur.

**THINK ABOUT IT.** If you are interested in a position on the 2025 Board of Directors, please see President Lou Cruz for more information.

**March 6-14, 2025**

**French Riviera – 9 days**

Opt. of 3 nights in **Paris** \$1230 add on

Price: \$2999.00 Dbl occ \$3599.00 Sgl

8 nights – one hotel in Nice towncenter

Includes: round trip air, taxes, hotel transfers, Buena Park to LAX.

12 meals, motor coach from Nice to

Monaco, Monte Carlo, Cannes etc.

Deposit of \$1,177 - Ins. \$479.00

Please contact Tom for more information.

**Diet for the New Year**

'Twas the week after Christmas, and all through  
the house, nothing would fit me,  
Not even a blouse.

The cookies I'd nibbled, the eggnog I'd taste  
at the holiday parties had gone to my waist.  
When I got on the scales there arose such a  
number!

The wine and the rum balls, the bread and the  
cheese. And the way I'd never said "No thank  
you, please."

So – away with the last of the sour cream dip.  
Get rid of the fruitcake, every cracker and chip.

I won't have a cookie – not even a lick. I'll  
want only to chew on a long celery stick.

Unable to giggle, no longer a riot.

**Happy New Year** to all and to all a good diet!

**Dueling Pianos – Buena Park**

Friday, January 24, 2025

7600 Beach Blvd., Buena Park

(in the Pirates Adventure complex – in the back)

Transportation on your own and free parking

\$39.00 – 2 drinks and the show included  
(snacks & appetizers available for purchase)

Doors open at 7:00pm - Show starts at 7:30pm

Hosts: Tom & Joan Alderson

(562)596-4893 or talderson51@gmail.com

Checks payable to UFCW 324 Retirees

Mail checks to Tom

144 College Park Dr, Seal Beach 90740

-----  
**Hilbert Museum of Art – Chapman College**

Thursday, February 20, 2025

Transportation on your own and free parking

structure at 130 N Lemon St – one block east of  
the museum.

\$38.00 – lunch at Avilla's El Ranchito – noon  
(182 S. Orange St., Orange)

Meet: 10:00 am at 167 N. Atchison St., Orange

Hosts: Tom & Joan Alderson

(562)596-4893 or talderson51@gmail.com

Checks payable to UFCW 324 Retirees

Mail checks to Tom

144 College Park Dr, Seal Beach 90740



## Meet Susie Smith

Susie was born in Chicago, and when she was six months old, her family moved to Hawthorne, California. She graduated from Hawthorne High School. Out of high school she worked data entry at Computax in El Segundo. She and husband Bill now reside in Garden Grove. It's a good thing she loves to cook as they are fortunate that all their children and grandchildren (ages 20 to 4 yrs old), live in California.

As she says, her first career was being a stay-at-home mom taking care of a set of twins, and a son. Later on, she worked at Lucky's in Seal Beach as a clerk and worked in the service deli. She always wanted to be a bookkeeper. She was a bookkeeper at Albertsons, Bolsa Chica. A fun fact is that she was hired and retired in the same month - April 17, 1988 and retired April 17, 2022. She was introduced to the retirees' club by Vickie and Mike Frantz. She worked with Mike. At one of the luncheons it was mentioned that the snack bar was looking for help so she began volunteering to work the snack bar. She also volunteers for the Bow Wow Dog Rescue program. Part of that job is to take dogs to veterinary appointments and also works with those fostering dogs. Another program she is involved with is the Terri Neve Foundation. This program sponsors golf tournaments, cancer walks and other events bringing funds and awareness to the American Cancer Society.

Susie likes to keep busy with her volunteering, but that doesn't keep her and Bill from traveling in their travel trailer and make several trips a year. They ride bikes when beach camping, but their preference is visiting and camping the US National Parks.

It is good to keep busy, she says, and the club offers connecting with old friends and making new ones. Susie sits at table 3.

### UFCW Local 324 Retirees' Club Officers

President.....Lou Cruz  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President .....Carol Cluck  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President.....Barbara Cortez  
Corresponding Sec'y.....Diana Eastman  
Recording Sec'y.....Mary Hulin  
Treasurer .....Chanda Sonkur  
Sgt. at Arms #1.....Chuck Morrissey  
Sgt. at Arms # 2..... Allan Hesse  
Member at Arms #1.....Tom Alderson  
Member at Arms #2 ....Bonnie Ladbury  
Member at Arms #3.....Kay Crawford  
Member at Arms #4 ... Dawn Morrissey  
Member at Arms #5 ..... Eddie Marshall

**Office Hours:** Wednesdays 9am – 11 am

**Travel Hosts:**  
Joan and Tom Alderson (562)-596-4893

**Bowling:** every Tuesday – 9:30 am  
Linbrook Bowl, 201 Brookhurst St., Anaheim

**Retirees' Club Contact Information:**  
714-995-4601 ext. 140  
Email : [Retirees324@outlook.com](mailto:Retirees324@outlook.com)

**Rides for Seniors:**  
Access Services: 1-800-827-0829  
Access Reservations: 1-800-883-1295

# PARTY

# BINGO



**Wednesday, February 12, 2025**

**12:45 pm – 3 pm**

**Hot Dogs, Chips & Soda \$5.00**

Sold from 12 – 12:30 pm

**CASH PRIZES FROM \$25.00 TO \$100.00**

**Members: \$9.00**

**Guests: \$14.00**

Please call the office or send a check ahead of time so we have an accurate list of participants

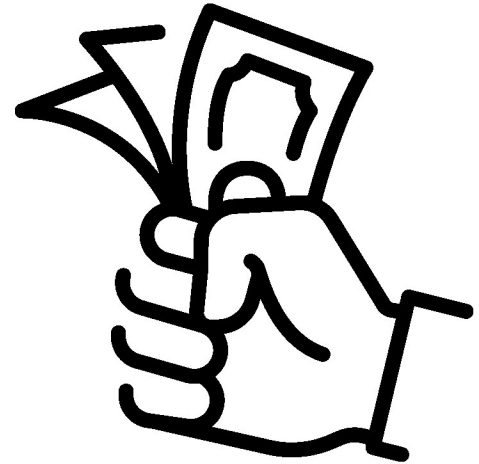
# **UFCW 324**

## **RETIREES' CLUB**

# **2025 Major Fundraiser**

**6 Lucky Winners ... \$250.00 EACH!!**

**Need a little cash?  
Take a chance!**



**Tickets are \$1.00 each or Six for \$5.00**

**Tickets may be obtained at the Retiree's Office, by Mail or at the Monthly Luncheon & Business Meeting.**

**Please send your request for tickets or your ticket stubs to:  
UFCW Local 324 Retirees' Club  
PO Box 5004 • Buena Park, CA • 90622-5004**

**Drawing Wednesday,  
December 17, 2025  
(Winner need not be present)**



**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

**TICKET STUB**

Please complete and return with payment.

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**UFCW LOCAL 324 RETIREES' CLUB**

PO BOX 5004-Buena Park, CA 90622-5004

DONATION \$1.00

**2025 MAJOR FUNDRAISER**

Six (6)Winners

\$250.00 each!

Drawing Wednesday, December 17, 2025

# February 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3	4 Bowling 9:30 am	5	6	7	8
9	10	11 Bowling 9:30 am	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Bowling 9:30 am	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Bowling 9:30 am	26	27	28	