Parties for the Necklace ~ 2020 Collection

“Fun”-Raiser for Redlands Conservancy’s Emerald Necklace Projects
What is it?

Parties for the Necklace offers a variety of parties, events, and activities for the Redlands Conservancy's supporters to enjoy. Anyone can purchase a reservation to any of the parties which are scheduled throughout the current Party year. The Parties are mostly underwritten by individuals, groups, or businesses, and the money raised goes to support Redlands Conservancy's Emerald Necklace projects and programs.

How Parties for the Necklace works

The 2020 Parties for the Necklace catalog contains descriptions of parties and events that we invite you to explore. Make your reservations at the Parties for the Necklace Kickoff Event, Wednesday, February 19, 7-8pm at the Mitten Building. Beginning February 20, all remaining reservations will be available at EventBrite.com. Type "Redlands Conservancy" into the search box for a listing of all our parties and events. Click the "DATE" button to see a listing in date order.

Reservations at EventBrite.com beginning February 20

Reservations are accepted and filled in the order received until the reservations are sold out. You will receive your tickets from EventBrite.com. For some events, a waitlist may be offered if the party sells out. If space becomes available, you will be contacted.

If you are unable to attend a party you reserved, you may exchange your reservation for another party that is not already sold out, give it to a friend, or make a donation to Redlands Conservancy. If the event is postponed, and you cannot attend the new date, you may receive a refund if you wish. If the party is cancelled, you will receive a full refund. Call (909) 782-6208 for any of the above.
What does Parties for the Necklace support?

Redlands Conservancy’s mission is to preserve Redlands’ historic built environment and conserve its irreplaceable natural and agricultural environments. The Conservancy’s Emerald Necklace programs concentrate on the natural and agricultural environments, including major programs:

1. **Trails** ~ Redlands Heritage Trails and Trails at 10 Series of Trail Excursions.

2. **Public Outreach and Education** ~ Presentations at events and meetings, exhibits at events, interpretive experiences on the Conservancy’s holdings, Outdoor Ambassador program, Sunday Fun Days, and Canyon Environments Education Program.

3. **Holdings Management** ~ Monitoring and managing more than 700 acres of natural open space in permanent conservation. These lands, especially the San Timoteo Nature Sanctuary and Herngt ‘Aki’ Preserve in Live Oak Canyon, require management to guarantee the protection of the lands’ conservation values.

4. **Land and Easement Acquisitions.**

5. **Outdoor Ambassador Program** ~ Training and supplying volunteer outdoor docents who "rove" the Emerald Necklace sites to enhance the users’ enjoyment.

6. **Redlands Gateway Ranch** ~ Establishing and managing a 12-acre ranch in Live Oak Canyon for native habitat restoration, outdoor education, and regional a trailhead.

6. **And the Emerald Necklace Trail and Scenic Tour, itself!** Developed with the 1987 Park and Open Space Plan, the Emerald Necklace is a series of culturally or historically significant natural and agricultural open spaces, now connected by a Trail and Scenic Route for motorists and bicyclists to enjoy.
Party #1:
Tales of Two Redlands
Cocktails, hors d'oeuvres, and stories of Redlands Trivia

What do we really know about the Ghosts (or Stories) of Redlands? You might be surprised to hear the truth about Redlanders, past and recent, as told by City Council Member Toni Momberger, an aficionado of Redlands history. Play a Redlands trivia game, while enjoying a mix of delicious hors d'oeuvres, good wine, music and a specialty cocktail. Delight in all this while listening to classical guitarist Kyle Ortega at the poolside patio of a private Redlands home. Test your wits about Redlands trivia and you’ll be in-the-know about Redlands’ past.

Party #1 - Cocktails & wine, hors d'oeuvres, music & Redlands Trivia.

Date: Saturday, March 7, 2-4pm
Location: Private Patio in Redlands.

Hosts: Rodolfo and Carol Betancourt, Toni Momberger, Joseph Siler, Dorothea Hackenberg

Number of Guests: 30
Cost: $45, $35 for members

Register at EventBrite.com
Party #2:
Starshine and Wine - 10th Edition

We started this party with the second Parties for the Necklace collection, and it remains a total sell-out. We return this year to the dark skies of Three Sisters Farm in San Timoteo Canyon. We bring back our resident amateur astronomer Jim Sommers with his very impressive telescope. We welcome the return of the Wizard of the Stars who will regale us with stories while we warm ourselves at the campfire. Wear your warm clothes - it’s in March this year so we can do some galaxy hunting in and around the Big Dipper and near the constellation Leo. Jim sort-of promises we may see several star clusters. One thing’s for sure: there will be really good wine and hors d’oeuvres.

Party #2 - Starshine and Wine - Star-gazing and wine tasting
Saturday, March 14, 6:30-10pm
Three Sisters Farm in San Timoteo Canyon
Hosts: Jim Sommer, Dave Maupin, Three Sisters Farm, Party Crew
Number of guests: 40
Cost per guest: $55, $45 members

Register EventBrite.com
Party #3:

Mimosas and Art in Redlands

Home and Art Tour, Mimosas, Brunch Hors d’Oeuvres

Art is everywhere - in this lovely, historic South Eureka Street home in Redlands, and party guests will get the full tour of the home and the art works. The 1924 California bungalow house has been the home of Sean and Mara Comadena since 1997, and the couple has filled it with fine art of Redlands artists, including stained glass artist Tom Medlicott, Mara’s father. How convenient for adding stunning art to one’s home! Tom will be on hand to describe his art, while guests sip mimosas prepared by Orange Blossom Bar Cart and Events.

| Party #3 - Mimosas and Art in Redlands - Home and art tour, mimosas and brunch hors d’oeuvres |
| Date: Sunday, April 19, 10am - 1pm |
| Location: South Eureka Street, Redlands |
| Hosts: Sean and Mara Comadena, Gail Smith |
| Number of guests: 16 |
| Cost per guest: $75, $65 for members |

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Party #4
A Real Redlands Gem
A Fine-Jewelry-Making Party

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Party #5
Soiree en Blanc
Garden Party with Lunch

Always wanted to be a Redlands socialite from the turn of the last century? This oh-so-civilized party puts you right in the middle of that experience. An appropriately leisurely sit-down lunch enjoyed in a beautiful garden, with tea and wine, will precede your casually competitive game of croquet. Wear your 'white' attire and a marvelously stylish hat for an afternoon of friendly banter and activities that are guaranteed to NOT make you "glow." "What’s that you say, dahling? Yes, the weather is so very Redlands."

Register EventBrite.com
Party #6:  
Bocce Ball Brunch  
Just what it says!

There’s a new court in town - it’s a Bocce Ball court at a private home, all newly-decked out in a magnificently landscaped back yard. What’s Bocce Ball, you ask? A classic and civilized Italian court game suitable for partiers of all ages and skills. Your hosts will show you how to play on their regulation-sized court, you will team up to play, then give it your best shot - or roll, as the case may be. Sip Prosecco while you wait your turn, then gather round the patio farm table to enjoy a full Italian-style brunch - fresh frittatas, Italian meats, cheeses, fruits and dessert. Good luck, and Buon Appetito.

Register EventBrite.com
Party #7:  
Is It Cocktail Hour, Yet?  
Retro Cocktail Party

Get your groove on and go back in time to the late 1950s when Cocktail Hour was celebrated every night! Women: slip into your slinky black cocktail dress; gentlemen: pull out a special suit. We’ll swing to the tunes playing on the high-five stereo while sipping a signature cocktail and fine wine. Hors d’oeuvres (maybe those Kraft-cheese stuffed celery bits or pigs in a blanket or Party Chex) and desserts will take you back in time at one of Redlands’ fine mid-century modern homes. Yes, you will be at one of the totally cool parties in town.

Date: Sunday, May 24, 5-8pm  
Location: Mid-Century home in Redlands  
Hosts: Nathan Gonzales, Todd Loza, Dorothea Hackenberg

Number of guests: 20  
Cost per guest: $95, $85 members

Register EventBrite.com
Party #8: Farm to Table Wine-Pairing Dinner

Yes, Virginia, we do have local wineries in our region. Wildwood Oak Winery of Yucaipa will host a farm-to-table dinner and wine-pairing on their lovely patio overlooking views of the 11th hole of Chapman Heights Golf Course and Crafton Hills. Need we say more? and we will! The food will be expertly paired and prepared by local home chef, Deborah Karalun. Owners and winemakers Anita and Tony Matlock will walk guests through the wines while Deb walks the guests through the preparation of different courses. Deb is also a Master Food Preserver and will be sharing tips and tricks to utilize garden edibles all year round. As part of the total experience, guests will be taken into the winery to see the operations and taste wines from the barrel. Let’s drink to that!

Party #8: Farm-to-Table Wine-Pairing Dinner

Saturday, May 30, 5-8pm
Hosts: Anita and Tony Matlock
Location: Private residence in Yucaipa
Guests: 20
Cost: $95, $85 for members

Register EventBrite.com
Party #9:

Local Foods

Local Chef Cooper

Our Local Foods Local Chef dinners always sell out, and for the 2020 collection, we offer Chef Cooper of Krafted Culture Co. In his own words, "Krafted Culture is a catering company, and striving for excellence is always our intention." Hailing from Chino Hills, Chef Cooper prepares food that is inspired by global cuisines including New-American, Plant-Based Asian, Caribbean, Latin, Indian and French Creole cuisines. Chef Cooper will bring his talents to one of Redlands’ fine homes for appetizers and a full gourmet sit-down dinner in the garden. A delightful experience in a delightful setting.

Register EventBrite.com
Party #10:  
It's Eataly!  
A Pasta-Making (and eating) Party

So, you think it’s hard to make pasta. It’s just water, flour, and eggs. How hard can that be! Pasta-making gets easy with this interactive pasta-making demonstration and eating extravaganza. Fettuccini, ravioli, tortellini - it’s just a matter of getting your hands all covered with flour, and using the right tools, and making a delicious pasta sauce and inviting lots of friends. Enjoy cocktails and wine and hors d’oeuvres while you watch and play with pasta dough. Then sit down to enjoy the fruits (really, pasta dishes) of your labor. Finish with a decidedly un-Italian dessert, chocolate cheesecake. It’sa delicioso!

Party #10 - It's Eataly - Pasta-making Party

Date: Friday, June 12, 6-9pm
Location: Private home in Redlands
Hosts: Sherli Leonard, Todd and Judy Elder
Number of guests: 12
Cost: $70, $60 for members

Register EventBrite.com
Party #11
How Does the Forest Do It!

_Hike through San Gorgonio Wilderness_

In June 2015, more than 31,000 acres of forest burned in the San Gorgonio Wilderness in the mountains above Redlands. The forest is recovering - aspen grove is coming back, new pines are sprouting, wildflowers cover the newly-opened landscape. Despite the destruction, it’s gorgeous again. This party is a full-on adventure, not for the weak of heart. Seriously. Guests will need to be able to hike 7 or 8 miles at 7,000 to 8,000 foot elevation. CalFire retiree and Redlands Conservancy Outdoor Ambassador Libby Groom will guide hikers and give guests an insider’s look at how the fire was fought, why some trees burned and others did not, and how fire itself is a natural part of a cycle of renewal and regeneration. Snacks and a picnic lunch will be waiting for hikers when they return to the trailhead. If you’re one of the hardy ones, get ready to experience the wilderness as you never have.

**Party #11 - How Does the Forest Do It - Hike and lunch in the wilderness**

- Date: July 11, 8am to 4pm
- Location: San Gorgonio Wilderness, Aspen Grove Trail Head
- Hosts: Kathy Behrens, Libby Groom
- # of guests: 18
- Cost: $65 ($15 donated to SGWA) No member discount

[Register EventBrite.com](#)
Party #12
Sweet Summer Bowl Picnic and Fireworks

Redlands Bowl Summer Music Festival - the quintessential outdoor summer music event - ends with a fireworks extravaganza as the Redlands Symphony Orchestra serenades the audience. You can be there, in a special setting: a picnic on the lawn at the Redlands Bowl. Guests will be feted with perfect picnic appetizers, wine, beer, and gourmet picnic dinner, all ready and waiting for you so you won’t have to do a thing: just arrive on time, and settle in for an amazing evening at a price you can’t resist! This will be the easiest and most delicious picnic you’ve ever enjoyed.

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Party #13
A Real Redlands Gem, 2
A Fine-Jewelry-Making Party

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Party #14: Barn-Raising at Gateway Ranch

Redlands Gateway Ranch is almost finished - it's waiting for guests to gather round with paint brush in hand to finish the barn and storage shed. Finally, the ranch will be a genuine destination for hikers, cyclists, equestrians, gardeners, native plant lovers, students - everyone who aches to experience the outdoors. Barn painting is not exactly a barn-raising, but it's as close as we can get in Southern California. Paint a while, settle in for a delicious barbecue dinner, enjoy the cooling evening, revel in some country music, and "make hay" while the sun shines!

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Party #14- Barn-Raising at Gateway Ranch

Date: Sunday, September 20, 3-8pm
Location: Redlands Gateway Ranch, Live Oak Canyon

Host: Redlands Party Crew
Guests: 40
Cost: $65. $55 for members
Party #15:
LA Urban Hike

It’s on again! Don’t miss it this time. The Christophersons are offering the LA Urban Hike again, and you KNOW it will sell out at the Kickoff Event. You’ll go to LA on the Metrolink in the early morning, enjoying coffee and pastries. Walk from Union Station and all over downtown, with the enlightening guidance from Chris Christopherson. Take a leisurely lunch at a great restaurant in an adaptively reused building before settling down for cocktails at the Union Station bar. Then, it’s homeward bound on the train. It’s all covered by your party reservation - all you have to bring is your appetite for great fun.

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Party 16
A Real Redlands Gem, 3
A Fine-Jewelry-Making Party

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Party #16- A Real Redlands Gem - 3- Jewelry-making party

Date: Thursday, October 22, 2-4pm (also offered in April and September)
Location: A Redlands Jewelry Store - TBA
Hosts: Deborah Rada and Ron Duvall
Number of Guests: 10 (10 at each of the other dates also)
Cost: $40 - no member discount

Register EventBrite.com
Party17

CHRISTMAS AT THE ASISTENCIA

It's a tradition now - our first-ever Christmas at the Asistencia in 2019 is a keeper. Redlands Conservancy will make this an annual event, so we invite you to join us at our historic Asistencia. Luminaria line the walkways, sweet sounds of a capella choristers waft through the air, and the delicious scent of holiday hors d’oeuvres and wassail entice you to step inside the Fireside Salon and warm yourself in front of the fire. Tour the grounds and the historic adobe buildings, then settle down in the chapel for a holiday concert by one of Redlands premier children’s choir. Saunter over to the Barton Room for a Christmas Carol sing-along. This party will totally prepare you to get in the spirit of the season. This will be a Christmas you won’t forget.

Register EventBrite.com

Party #17: Christmas at the Asistencia - Concert, hors d’oeuvres, tours, wine and wassail

Date: Sunday, December 13, 5-8pm
Location: Redlands Conservancy's Asistencia, Barton Road, Redlands

Hosts: Redlands Conservancy Party Crew
Guests: 100+
Cost: $25, no member discount - Children under 12 are $5
Party #18
Chocoholics United!

You've heard about it - chocolate is the universal cure-all for whatever ails you. At this party, you can learn why that's the truth. Redlands Conservancy’s Asistencia Site Manager Heather Ross will discuss with you why chocolate is something we crave. She will help you explore how to pick the very best chocolate to suit your own taste buds, which, we're sure you know, is how to heighten the chocolate-eating experience. Each bit-sized piece of chocolate will be paired with a wine, port, beer, or hot cocoa - or nothing at all. Just by its glorious lonesome!

Party #18 - Chocoholics United! Tasting and Pairing

Date: Saturday, January 30, 2021 - 4-6pm
Location: TBA

Hosts: Heather Ross and Dorothea Hackenberg
# of guests: 20
Cost: $45, $15 for kids (no member discount)

Register EventBrite.com
A Perfect Gift . . .
The Redlands Conservancy invites you to be part of keeping Redlands green. Any of these Parties for the Necklace will make a perfect gift for friends and family. Not only will your gift provide the recipient with an amazing experience, but it will support the Redlands Conservancy’s Emerald Necklace projects and programs. What could possibly be better? (Well, there is that.)

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Creekside Trail in the Spring
Thank you to all our
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Joseph Siler
Toni Momberger
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Dave Maupin
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