Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation to host 'BELLissimo!' on July 15

Event will feature a chimes concert and silent auction

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Hosted by the Catalina spotlight our Chimes Tower Foundation, "BELLissimo!" will take place on Saturday, July 15, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at Castillo del Mar, the home of foundation vice chair, Blanny Avalon Hagenah. This one-of-a-kind event is designed not only for those who appreciate the Chimes Tower's melodic tunes and remarkable history, but also for those who wish to preserve the Avalon landmark for future generations to enjoy.

"BELLissimo!" provides a unique opportunity to make a difference in the Avalon community and to preserve its colorful history," said Alison Wrigley Rusack, foundation chair.

"We look forward to bringing the chimes and tower back to their former beauty, and this event will spotlight our fundraising efforts. A special treat will be a chimes concert, featuring songs that were broadcast on Catalina's original radio station, KFWO, during the first official program on March 24, 1926," she said.

The Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation has made progress on assessing the scope and cost of the restoration, and will be announcing a fundraising goal during the evening's festivities, which also include cocktails,

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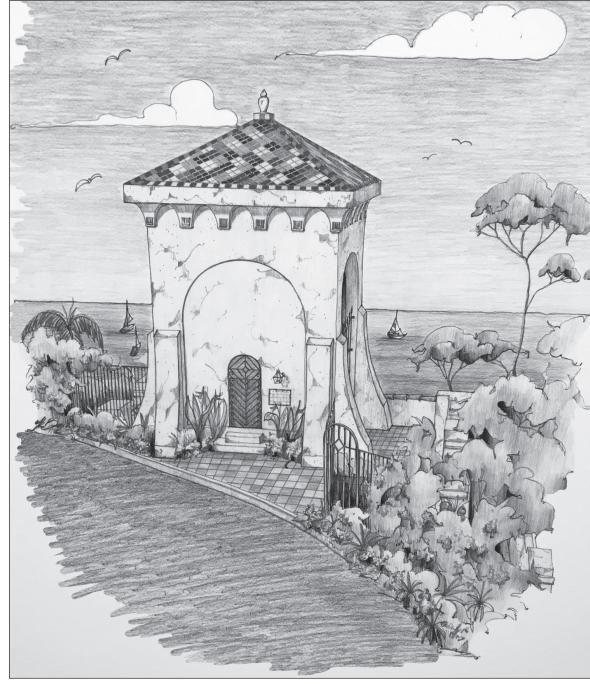
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"We are delighted by the support the Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation has received, and are excited to share the progress of this important restoration project," said Hagenah. "We are also pleased to offer a collection of fun items at our silent auction that we hope our guests will enjoy."

Among the items being auctioned at "BELLissimo!" are original Catalina pottery, Santa Catalina Island Vineyards wine, an oil painting of the Chimes Tower by Ian Burgess, a recording studio session, a night scene painted on a Chimes Tower tile, a chance to experience Two Harbors—courtesy of IEX Helicopters, and 90 days of VIP parking at Catalina Landing.

A limited number of tickets for \$175 are available at www. CatalinaChimes.org/events. Those wishing to attend are encouraged to purchase tickets soon, as the event may sell out.

For more information, contact the Foundation at info@ CatalinaChimes.org.



The Chimes Tower was completed in 1925 by Ada and William Wrigley Jr. as a gift to Avalon. In an Islander article last year, Blanny Avalon Hagenah, vice chair of the Catalina Chimes Tower Foundation, reported that Wrigley commissioned a set of Westminster Chimes from Deagan and Co. of Chicago for \$25,000 Courtesy artwork



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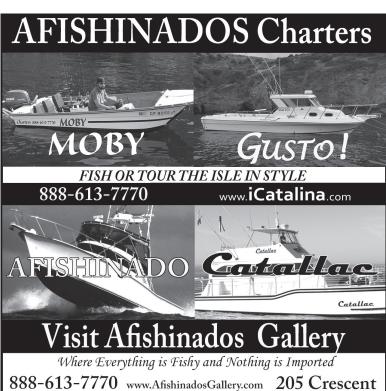
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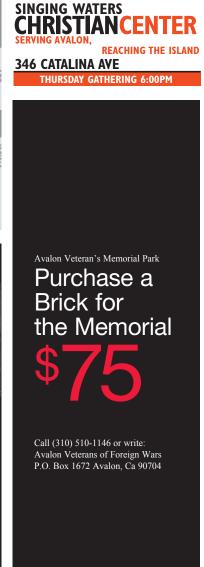
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