



Please RSVP if you plan to join us for dinner.

Thank you

General Meeting May 25th

Your chefs for the evening are Jeff and Michelle Cowan. The menu will be a surprise.

We have a special treat for you. Alicia Stratton is our speaker. I'll let Alicia speak for herself:

I grew up as an Air Force brat, the youngest of 4 kids. We moved to California from West Virginia and I was instantly drawn to the ocean. My first trip to the Channel Islands was in 1969 and have been going back ever since. I worked on sportfishing and commercial fishing boats after high school and knew then that I wanted to know more about the Channel Islands and the ocean, so I went to UCSB and studied Environmental Biology. I was certified as SCUBA diver and helped with salvage operations and explored underwater, and earned my USCG license while working at Island Packers. I also worked for The Nature Conservancy and NOAA Marine Sanctuary. My side job was working for the County APCD exchanging marine engines and monitoring ship/whale collisions. I met my husband Hall at the launch ramp while he was sailing and I was kayaking, and the rest is history. We built our 42-ft. catamaran [AKUA KAI] and can now be seen sailing and anchored around the islands. I also work for Road Scholar (formerly Elder Hostel) teaching kids and adults about the Channel Islands and snorkeling. My goal with presenting to PBYC is to offer a different perspective on what we all see when we sail around the Channel Islands.

