

TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2016

President Anita Dinicola called the November General Business Meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club to order at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, November 2, 2016. The Renewal of the Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Pat Green**. Inspiration was given by **Linda Eisenbart**.

President Anita welcomed all members and guests.

Members Health – There are several members who are facing health challenges: **Frances Demeules, Lee Large, Doris Brigham, Jeralyn Kirby and Jackie McAlister**. Cards would be appreciated and please keep them in your prayers.

Recording Secretary, Deanna Hanson read the recommendations/motions made at the Executive Board meeting of October 26, 2016. These were all voted on and passed by the general membership. The minutes from the October 5, 2016 General meeting stand as posted.

Treasurer Mary Linn Coleman presented the Treasurer's Report for September, 2016. The balance in the Club account as of September 30, 2016 less reserves is \$2,297.46. The balance in the Clubhouse account for the same time period is \$23,842.04. Donations as of this date are \$1,200.00.

Auditor, Jeaninne Glomboske announced she was given bills in the amount of \$94.11 (\$68.24 from Bette Herbst and \$25.87 from Terry Moore) and moved they be paid. M/C.

1st Vice President, Barbara Freeman gave a short report on the Area C meeting held in Downey. The November District Council meeting will be held at the Hermosa Beach Woman's Club on November 18th featuring a wine auction.

2nd Vice President, Membership, Sharon Saffer introduced two new members; **Kathryn Joiner and Ursala White**. Sharon acknowledged the November birthdays.

3rd Vice President, House Chairman Roberta Smith was absent; **Pam Sheerin** reported that the committee is still working on getting the portable bar up and operable.

Corresponding Secretary, Susan Warner read thank you notes from TMMC Woman to Woman program and notices regarding a Vietnam Vets fundraiser at the Comedy Magic Club on November 9th and a Torrance Historical Society thank you reception on November 10th for those who assisted with the Home Tour.

Ways & Means Chairman, June Baker asked for Ways & Means project updates: **Barbara Freeman** thanked all who attended the 50s Diner event contributing to a profit of \$2,575. 00 which will be donated to the Bob Hope USO at LAX.

Linda Eisenbart thanked all those who donated and purchased items at today's Holiday Bazaar.

Barbara Freeman (for Roberta Smith) is collecting sign-ups for the Barnes & Noble giftwrapping.

Annette Degner advised today is the last day to purchase T-shirts with a December delivery.

Lisa Marie Silver reminded us of the restaurant dine-out on Nov. 10 at Chili's from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Connie Vassie reminded us to donate a gift card (or cash to purchase) for the fashion show raffle.

Reports – Marilyn Keller reported on the activities of the Helping Hands group (cuddle blankets and candy bags) and announced they are always in need of cotton fabrics. **Marilyn** is in charge of collecting our entries for the District Creative Writing contest – deadline is February 15th.

Bette Herbst thanked everyone who brought bras for the Bra Power – Save the Girls project. The plan is to hook all of them together hoping for a mile of them. International Outreach Project-- St. Joseph Children's facility needs donations which will be used to take care of infants and children up to 18 years old that have been abandoned - our goal is \$1000. The Helping Hands group will be working on the Sole Hope project in November and you are encouraged to come to the Clubhouse on November 16th and cut denim for the tops of the "shoes".

Barbara Freeman, on behalf of **Linda Smith**, announced there will be a giftwrapping project at DCFS on several dates in December in Culver City. Contact **Linda Smith** for further details.

Deanna Hanson announced that helpers are needed at The Volunteer Center on November 3rd to put flash cards together for the Teddy Bear Backpacks.

Attendance today is 80 members and 5 guests.

New Business/Announcements –Festival of Trees at TMMC will have two special days for seniors: Wednesday, November 30th and Thursday, December 1st.

President Anita has a special request for the December meeting: she has asked all members sit at a different table than usual with different people to achieve greater interaction with all of our members.

The meeting recessed for a social time and lunch at 12:15; reconvening at 1:00 for the program which was a demonstration on "How to Prepare An Indoor Garden" by Judy Gerber. Judy is the Garden Coordinator for Torrance Memorial Medical Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. to December 7, 2016 at 11:00 a.m.

Deanna Hanson, Recording Secretary