



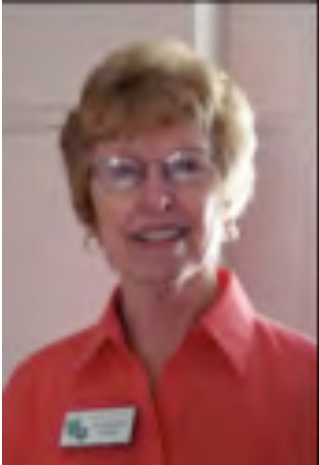
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TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

Marina District #18

California Federation of Women's Clubs General Federation of Women's Clubs

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Dear Friends,

We certainly enjoyed a busy October, and our special thanks to **Beverly Greeno** for hosting a wonderful and informative new member orientation, **Fran Day** and **Janet Payne** and their committee for coordinating the Torrance Historical Home Tour with TWC participating and hosting the Art Guild, and **Bernadette Kociemba** for a fun and successful evening Bunco.

At our November 5 general meeting, we will honor **TWC Past Presidents** (who are current members), for their dedication, leadership, and friendship. These ladies certainly do deserve our gratitude as we continue to volunteer in the areas of better education, health, beautification, and military support because "Together We Care."

Additionally, the **Helping Hands Committee** chaired by **Bette Herbst** will host their bazaar with lots of lovely items at our November and December general meetings to help us get ready for the fast approaching holidays.

Remember to bring canned food and non-perishable items to our November meeting, so **Anita Dinicola** can take your donations to needy families. Thank you, **Anita**.

May each of you enjoy a wonderful and safe Thanksgiving with your family and friends.

With love,
Kathleen



DATES TO REMEMBER

11/4	Meeting Set Up	9:30 am
11/4	ELECTION DAY - "VOTE"	
11/5	November General Meeting Clem Pennington, Vocalist Honor Past Presidents Helping Hands Holiday Item Sale	11:00 am
11/10	Helping Hands	10:00 am
11/11	Sammy's Woodfired Pizza Fund Raiser	
11/19	Bunco	1:00 pm
11/21	District Council Meeting Redondo Beach Woman's Club	

UPCOMING EVENTS

12/2	Meeting Set Up	9:30 am
12/3	General Meeting Torrance Civic Chorale Helping Hands Holiday Item Sale	11:30 am
12/17	Bunco	1:00 pm
12/16, 12/17, 12/18, & 12/19	Borders Wrap	

*Happy Birthday to our
November Ladies* - Marilyn

Barker, Fran Glauber, Louise Herbison, Barbara Howland, Marlys Judd, Jeanne McRae, Carol Quinn, Lou Schumacher, Jean Townsend, and Donna Webb



KITCHEN DUTY - NOVEMBER MEETING

It's the C's, F's, and E's this month and Judy Ciampa is your leader.

So, if your last name starts with either a C, F, or E it's your turn to be at the Club House on Tuesday, November 4th at 9:30 am, to help set up. You will also be serving at the General Meeting lunch on November 5th and taking the linens home to be washed. **THANK YOU** for your help in making the luncheons an enjoyable time.

Executive Officers

President-Kathleen Davis, First VP-Deanna Hanson, Second VP-Membership-Beverly Greeno Co-Chairman-Darlene Payne, Third VP - House Chairman-Fran Day Co-Chairman-Barbara Jarvis, Recording Secretary-Lynn Robinson, Corresponding Secretary-Barbara Crochetiere, Treasurer- Jeaninne Glomboske, Auditor-Vivian Prosisie, Ways & Means Chairman-Judy Burrow, Programs (Gen. Meetings)-Sandra Burchell, Press-Louise Lowery, Co-Chairman-Barbara Austin, Yearbook-Frances Demeules Co-Chairman-Mary Alice Platz, Newsletter-Barbara Freeman Co-Chairman-Barbara Crochetiere, Reservations- Mary Alice Platz, Co-Chairman- Fran Glauber, Parliamentarian-Barbara Bounds, Historian-Fran Glauber Co-Chairman-Barbara Crochetiere, Director-Madonna Davenport, Director-Sharon Hooper, Director - Nona Kozak

First Vice President - Deanna Hanson

Six TWC members attended the District Council Meeting on October 17th held at the Woman's Club of Playa Del Rey with the Culver City Woman's Club co-hosting.

The subject of the mini meetings was Amenities and Arts in the Community. The focus of the Amenities portion was on the importance of thank-you cards, head table introductions, the correct way to wear badges/nametags, usage of a microphone, etc.

Rules were distributed on the Creative Writing; Youth & Member Art; Craft; Photography and Music Contests. Please put your creative juices to work, ladies, as these contests are right around the corner. With our own Mary Linn Coleman as CFWC State Chairman for Arts in the Community, let's make her proud of Torrance!

And, mark your calendars now to attend the next District Council Meeting on November 21st at the Woman's Club of Redondo Beach. This is important to all of us but especially to any Chairmen who are writing reports as the entire meeting will be devoted to Report Writing. The tease proclaims, ". . . report writing will be demystified before your very eyes." Attending this meeting should definitely be on everyone's "MUST DO" list. Sign-up at our November General Meeting.

Second Vice President - Beverly Greeno

Dear Members,

NOVEMBER brings crisp fall days, falling leaves, bargain bazaars, craft shows, family gatherings and much, much more. Your TWC club has plenty of reasons to give THANKS to its volunteer members. The "ho-hum" days to follow are the result of our active participation.

I'm honored and pleased to report **Ida Miller-Krause**, our most recent member, shall be introduced during our November 5th meeting. **Ida** showed her avid interest by having attended the New Member Orientation on October 8th. Her mentor is Deanna Hanson. **Ida**, you have joined a worthwhile organization --worthy to us and worthy to the Torrance community.

With the **FIVE** new members who were a part of the "**Together We Care**", '**flag waving**' introductions at our October 1st luncheon meeting, the club now boasts 134 members.

At TWC, you're not simply a member. You are a member of an organization. An organization that keeps its members **BUSY, BUSY, BUSY** with an active calendar of events.

Saturday, October 25th is the annual, nationwide "Make a Difference" day. We TWC members make a difference along the way each time we volunteer an hour here or an hour there.

With all the opportunities TWC has to offer, you can be as active as you choose. There's a project for everyone! If you're a volunteer, there's a chair waiting for you!

Community projects, volunteer opportunities, and fun, family events will all be a part of TWC calendar during the next few months. Life is what you make of it. So why not make it a great experience? We want to help educate the community and get people excited about what we're doing and who we are. **"TOGETHER WE CARE"**.

And, no matter how busy you are, I hope you manage to find some time to participate, to volunteer, and to support TWC activities.

Third Vice President - Fran Day

I would not be surprised if someone told me **"Everyone in town knows about the Torrance Woman's Club"**. **Fran** certainly has made this happen. She finds many places for the members of our club to volunteer and show TWC is alive and well in Torrance.

TWC Ladies and a few husbands worked the Switzer Center Golf Tournament.



TWC Ladies at the PTN Halloween Ball



Historical Homes Tour - our ladies served lemonade and cookies at the clubhouse.



Five TWC ladies helped with the PTN gift wrapping for the Halloween Ball.



Ways and Means - Judy Burrow Chairman Scholarship Drawing – November Meeting

We will have a 50/50 drawing at this meeting as the Helping Hands Bazaar will be taking place at the meeting, too. You have a chance to win if you buy a winning ticket. Dollars donated go into the Scholarship fund.

Sammy's Woodfired Pizza Event - Evening of November 11

Please be sure to get a flyer from Sandy Burchell to take to Sammy's. We will receive a donation of 20% of each sale if you turn in the flyer with your meal check. Bring your friends and join us that evening!

Bunco - November 19 – 1:00 p.m.

This is an easy and fun game, and a good way to meet other TWC members.

Join us and give it a try! Donation is \$5.00 - going to Seedlings of Hope. Board members: bring your lunch and stay on for the Bunco!

Fractured Follies –first meeting – Tuesday, November 11th at 10:00 am

This will be a preliminary meeting to plan the Follies. We are looking for some ladies for the talent show part of the program – perhaps 5 or 6 of you who would like to sing together. We already have some tap dancers wanting to perform!!!! There will also be a time for nostalgia as we watch some Follies from the past.

Torrance Civic Chorale Concert – December 12 & 13

Sign up at the November meeting to help serve coffee, punch, and cookies after the concerts on Friday and Saturday. You will receive a free ticket to the concert on the evening that you help.

Borders Gift Wrap – December 16, 17, 18, & 19

Borders provides the paper, tape, scissors, etc., we provide the “elbow grease,” for tips from customers. There are 4 hour shifts each day: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., 1 to 5 p.m., and 5 to 9 p.m. Check your calendar and sign up for one of the shifts at the November meeting. We need some help with this project. If you would like to be the person to call members to remind them when their shift is coming, please call Judy Burrow or Sharon Dorin. Or --- if you would like to be in charge of this project --- we will welcome you with open arms !!!!!

New Members –

A good way to get to meet other TWC ladies is to help with any/all of our projects. They are fun and you can make a new friend at the same time!

Jewelry Exchange fund raiser at the January meeting.

As you are looking for jewelry to wear at your next TWC function, sort out what you haven't used in a long time and donate it for the jewelry exchange. We only ask for costume jewelry ---not your emeralds and diamonds!!!! The jewelry will be displayed for sale at the January meeting. Sale price will be \$1.00 for each item. You can start bringing the jewelry to the November meeting. Please contact Judy Burrow if you would like to help with this event.

Congratulations to Bernadette Kociemba for a successful first time Night Bunco! In spite of many outside events taking place, there were eight tables of play. Everyone had a great time. The prizes, food, and drink Bernadette provided were great!

Barbara Freeman the Sock Hop was so much fun!

You did so much to make the evening a success – from all the prizes, the decorations, the music and entertainment, and food – to the special TWC tap dancers! The Hula Hoop and Bubble Gum blowing contests showed off some members' unusual talents. Many thanks to you and your crew!

Coming Ways and Means events in 2009:

Jewelry Sale – January meeting

The Rummage Sale - February 21

Laughlin Trip – April 7-9

Fashion Show – April 25

Many TWC members are having health issues and we wish them all a speedy recovery. Some

have had surgery and others are not feeling up to par. We hope all of you know how much we, at TWC, care about you and wish you well. I would love to list you all and give you that personal touch but I'm afraid I will leave someone out and I don't want to do that, so this is for **YOU** and you know who you are

"Get Well Fast"

We miss you!!



OPERATION TEDDY BEAR

Monday, October 21st found President, **Kathleen** along with **Bobbie Austin, Judy Burrow, Lee Large** and **Pam Barrett** stuffing back packs.



Anita Helps out at Torrance Elementary

Anita Dinicola reading to students at Torrance Elementary. She gives many hours reading and preparing baskets for needy families at Torrance Elementary.



Anita says Thank You to everyone for the food items and monetary donations made by several generous people and **PLEASE** bring **MORE** in November for needy family baskets for Thanksgiving

She will be collecting \$\$\$ (even coins will be accepted) at the meeting for the fresh fruit, eggs, bread etc... to add to the baskets.

DOES IT MATTER IF I VOTE? by Sharon Hooper, District Citizenship Chairmanship

This November will be a historical election. No matter who you vote for, get out there and vote. Bring your voting slip to the November Council Meeting and get in a drawing for prizes.



One vote makes a difference:

- * In 1824, the presidential election between John Quincy Adams & Andrew Jackson, one vote in the Electoral College gave the election to Adams!
 - * Texas was admitted as the 28th state in 1845 by one vote!
 - * Alaska gained statehood by one vote!
 - * President Andrew Johnson was saved from impeachment by one vote!
 - * One vote in 1920 gave women the right to vote!
 - * One vote made Adoloh Hitler the leader of Germany's Nazi Party!
 - * Had one vote in each precinct in California & Ohio gone to Thomas Dewey rather than Harry Truman, Truman would have lost the 1948 presidential election.
- Yes, your vote counts!**

SUNFLOWERS A-GLOW at Orientation

The cheeriness of a bunch of sunflowers and the ray of sunlight on "Windows - 2008" was the setting of New Member Orientation, October 8th



Thank You! Thank You! Thank You! to new members for your interest, for your attendance, and what a nice surprise to receive notes of appreciation via mail. And, to the participants - - I learned so much from your messages of "Now and Then". So very well presented and we all appreciated your time, your dedication, and your knowledge.

The six new members who were lucky to bring home a door prize were: Joan Earhart, Eleanor Edwards, Marilyn Keller, Sharon Saffer, Maxine Trevethen, and Charleen Williams. The door prizes were compliments of 6 tables represented: USO/Americanism, Helping Hands, Education, Community Relations, History - News and Reservations, and Ways & Means.

During the two-hour session we heard an overview of TWC history and philanthropy facts; we learned the benefit of membership throughout the Federation; we heard the importance of logging volunteer hours and why report writing is necessary; we learned the "how to" of Arts and Crafts throughout the community; and how our philanthropy projects multiply through participation and support of Ways and Means projects.

And, the 'Vintage Attire' skit --- now we know why the ladies wearing special attire feel important! They are important because ten TWC members (dressed in their vintage dresses, hats & gloves) supported the 100 year celebration of California Federation of Women's Clubs by traveling to Sacramento on January 18, 2000. A story well told!



Your support was outstanding and again THANK YOU!

**Beverly,
Membership Chairman**

Holiday Festival Tree

October found eight ladies working on tree ornaments for the USO theme tree the club is sponsoring. We have everything done and now we have to wait until it's time to put the tree together. Thanks to those who helped.

Sock Hop - Barbara Freeman

It sure doesn't seem like **THANK YOU** is enough to say about everyone's participation in the Sock Hop fund raiser for the USO. I hope everyone had as much fun as I did. I was happy to see General Mike Teilman (our leader at the USO), Richard and Barbara (the board presidents),



Amy (the volunteer supervisor), and Christina, Kathy, and Jerry (fellow USO volunteers) at the Sock Hop. I so enjoy working at the USO and I was happy some of you got to meet some of the great people I work with.

I was so lucky to have such great ladies helping set up the hall on Friday. I had worked all day at the USO and was thinking I had a long night ahead getting everything done but with **Fran Day, Natalie DiMercurio, Barbara Bounds, Betty Abby, Judy Burrow, Madonna Davenport and Ron** there to help we were finished in no time. **Betty Abby** was nice enough to lend out her Mother-In-Laws 45 records as part of the decorations.

The next day found **Fran Day** scooping ice cream and **Natalie DiMercurio** filling condiments bowls and anything else that needed to be done. We were ready for the night to start way before anyone came.

Anita and Natalie checked the guests in and **LaDonn** sold tickets for the \$100 Poodle Purse while **Fran Glauber** and **Susan Warner** sold door prize tickets. **Dave Donaldson** played some great 50's music and did his "Elvis" show.



What more would you want at a 50's Sock Hop than CAR HOPS and we had those with **Kathleen,**

Madonna, Bernadette and Fran Day.

They were taking orders, hollering orders to Ron and delivering plates to their waiting guests. **Pam Barrett and Jim Hill** were pouring soda and **Steve McFadden and Brian Gohata** poured and served the wine and beer which **Milli and Steve** donated.





We had a hula hoop contest and some of those hip moves seem to really swing. The bubble blowing contest had three winners with pretty big bubbles. **Judy Burrows** had a very good mixer game with three teams of participants. All-in-all I

would say everyone had a chance to show their skills whether it was hip movements, bubble blowing, or knowing their alphabet and numbers. We also saw some pretty good



dancing.

Maybe one of you would like to join Dancing With The Stars. You're all "Stars" to me. Also thanks to the tap dancers for agreeing to learn the dance so fast. **Fran Day, Barbara Crochetiere, Deanna Hanson** and myself along with our teacher **Ms. Patti** had fun doing the number.

We had lots of door prizes, a PINK BIKE donated by one of Judy Burrow's neighbors, Two dinners at the Holiday Festival, the \$100 Poodle Purse, and a 50's musical bear and poodle. **Milli McFadden and Joyce Gohata** had heard I was having trouble getting door prizes so they put together and donated two baskets and also had two prizes donated by Costco. **Marilyn Keller, Lou Schumacher, and Barbara Crochetiere** helped hand out the door prizes.

THANKS to all the people who helped clean up including new member **Marilyn Keller** and **Lou Schumacher**. **Beverly Greeno and Fran Day** helped by taking table cloths home to wash. Also helping with the clean up was my friend **Beverly Saliba** who isn't a member but, is always there to help me out.

As you can see, it took lots of people to put this fund raiser on. If you have an idea or plan for a fund raiser, give Judy Burrow a call. I did and I've enjoyed working on the fund raisers and getting to know the other members better.

So, to all those who participated, a very sincere THANK YOU. You made it a fun night!!



Barbara Bounds kissing who? ELVIS of course!



Dave Donaldson, our Elvis with Joan Gillum's mother and sister. Glad they could come.



Fran Glauber kissing who? Our own Elvis, Dave Donaldson

Pictures from the 50's Sock Hop



Deanna Was snapping and pulling that gum all night.



Barbara Bounds dancing up a storm with Betty Abbey