

TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

Marina District #18

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

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Presidents Message

Dear Friends,

Congratulations to the newly elected officers, and my personal thanks to everyone who has worked so hard to make 2008-2009 a successful year. If you are interested in a committee chairmanship or volunteering to help on a committee project, please let **Deanna Hanson** know.

Special thanks to **Joan Gillum**

for chairing the wonderful fashion show. What a fun time we all enjoyed. We appreciate the efforts by Joan and her committee. The Hollywood theme was a hit! The prizes, decorations, and work by everyone made this a great fashion show. Congratulations to all TWC members for helping with this important fundraiser. A lot of planning goes into this annual project, and we can all be proud that scholarships are awarded as result of your efforts.

Have you noticed the recycle bins that **Fran Day** arranged for our meetings? Thanks Fran for taking the time to remind us to recycle our cups, plastic, and paper products. We should all do our part to protect our environment.

There are so many wonderful ladies in our club, and I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of **Dorothy Mahoney**, who helps us with our meeting raffle tickets and prizes; **Bernadette Kociemba**, who hosts our monthly Bunco parties; **Mary Alice Platz**, who always greets us with a friendly smile at the reservation table, and **Jerri Plum**, who with her committee recently reviewed student applications for our club's scholarship awards. It takes all of us to make TWC the great club that it is because "Together We Care."

With love,
Kathleen



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-Pam Sheerin, Recording Secretary-Lynn Robinson, Corresponding Secretary-Barbara Crochetiere, Treasurer- Jeaninne Glomboske, Auditor-Vivian Prorise, 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

DATES TO REMEMBER

4/30 - 5/2	CFWC Convention - Crowne Plaza LAX	
5/5	Set-Up for Meeting	9:30 am
5/6	General Meeting	11:00 am
5/13	Helping Hands	10:00 am
5/15	Bunco	1:00 pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

6/3	General Meeting	11:00 am
6/10	Helping Hands	10:00 am

Don't forget, no meetings in July and August!!

Happy Birthday to our May Ladies

Sheila Baugh, Barbara Crochetiere, Belle Dorenfeld, Bette Herbst, Anne Imrie, Yvonne Johnson, Sally Macaluso, Joy Marcon, Marjorie McKarns, Mary Alice Platz, and Maria Elena Rendon.



KITCHEN DUTY - MAY MEETING

It's the L's, S's, T's, and V's turn with Louise Lowery as your leader. So, if your last name starts with a L, S, T, or V you need to help with the set up on Tuesday, May 5th. Please be at the club house at 9:30 am. You will also be serving at the General Meeting lunch on May 6th and taking the linens home to wash. We appreciate all the members that help out with kitchen duty.

Don't forget SCARFS for the VETERANS. Sharon Hooper is collecting them.

First Vice President - Deanna Hanson

Attendees at the 53rd Annual Marina District Convention on April 18, 2009 at the Marriott Courtyard in Marina del Rey included 12 of our TWC members.

After a continental breakfast, the first agenda item was the President's March. Each Club President of the 11 clubs represented gave a short overview of her club's accomplishments for the past year and/or an example of her leadership style. The words included: Involve, Empower, Respect, Listen, Skill Sets, Communicate, Organize, Transition. The least important word is "I"; the most important is "We" and we all need to remember that Teamwork Does Make a Difference.

The winners from the Student Art and Photography Contest were there to exhibit their entries. The winning entry from Torrance was Mikayla Enfield, a student at Fern Elementary.

Following lunch we were entertained by 2 musicians, both sponsored by TWC. Mason Rygh, grandson of Monica Grundman, played two numbers on the tenor sax. He was presented with a \$500 Young Musician Instrumentalist Award for 2009. Leigh Gaines, an 18 year old aspiring concert pianist also entertained us and was presented with a \$500 Young Pianist Award for 2009. Our congratulations to each of the 3 TWC winners.

The guest speaker, Dori Kelsey, Area A VP, WSR Jennie Award winner and LEADS 2003, talked about the various ways we communicate. She emphasized that CFWC/GFWC is a great resource to answer any questions and provide us any assistance that we need. Her closing thought was "... enthusiasm is the greatest asset in the world - it is truly faith in action."

Club Awards were given out. Kudos, Hats Off To You and a Huge Thank You to all TWC members for (1) all your volunteer work and (2) for doing your reports. Torrance Woman's Club won 1st Place, Large Club in the following categories: Arts in the Community; Conservation - Beautification; Conservation - Resource; Education for Life; Home Life - Helping Hands; International Affairs written by Terry Helmy; Public Affairs - Citizenship; Public Affairs - Community Safety; Fund-Raising written by Judy Burrow; Leadership; Newsletter submitted by Barbara Freeman; Women's History - Resource Center and Membership. In addition, we took 2nd Place, Large Club in Home Life - Women's Health. The prize for the best Club Chairman Report was a 5-way tie with TWC bringing home 2 of the 5 - Judy Burrow won for Fund-Raising and Deanna Hanson won for Public Affairs - Citizenship. We will file the certificates with the 2008 Reports but the Report Booklet together with the Awards will be displayed at the May meeting.

We once again received the President's Volunteer Service Gold Award for 2008 for our 25,965 hours. This award includes a certificate, a pin and a letter written on White

House stationery and signed by President Bush. The Marina District totals were 882 projects; 154,555 hours and \$687,846.70. Of this amount, TWC contributed 25,965 hours to 106 projects and \$27,744. Give yourselves a pat on the back and a huge round of applause!

Not only does our Club benefit from all of our efforts, contributions, and hard work, the entire community benefits as well. **T - O - R - R - A - N - C - E....This is where we LOVE to be!! ...and it shows.**

Remember, CFWC State Convention is at the Crowne Plaza at the LAX Airport from April 30th through May 2nd.

Second Vice President - Beverly Greeno

May, the 5th month of the year;

May, membership renewal deadline;

May, the last month of our club year;

May, the time to acknowledge our club officers and chairmen for a "job well done" in their respective category of responsibility. Your leadership and progress in the name of TWC is very rewarding. Members, your volunteer support is so encouraging to our leaders.

A warm welcome is extended to PHYLLIS DONABEDIAN, ARLINE DONOHO, DIANE PAINE, and LINDA PHELAN, first time members of Torrance Woman's Club (TWC).

Twenty three volunteer members have been introduced this year. Why do we encourage more new members? New members bring enriched energy, individual ideas, and significant support to the club, volunteer services. "TOGETHER WE CARE". The future depends on what we do in the present - (Mohatma Gand hi).

President Kathleen's personal theme/motto, "TOGETHER WE CARE" certainly reflects her loyal leadership and guidance for the past two years. On behalf of TWC members, we have appreciated your unselfish participation, your dedication to TWC; your concerns of TWC members and your involvement and interest in the Torrance community. Thank you, Kathleen, for your generosity and your continued support over and beyond the call of duty.

As you move to the chair on your left --- take the treasured memories with you. We hope you'll always recall the honor of being President of TWC. Thanks for the memories --- we have green ribbons -- you have stories and memories! "TOGETHER WE CARE" --- together we did good things everyday.

Third Vice President - Fran Day

Fran is keeping TWC out there in front of the community by having the members volunteer at different events. Coming again this summer will be the Golf Tournament fund raiser for Torrance Memorial Hospital. She is also taking good care of our club house. Remember to use the recycle bin.

Ways and Means - Judy Burrows

Scholarship Drawing – Please bring prizes for the drawing at the May 6 meeting. The funds raised go into our Scholarship fund. Tickets are three for \$1.00 or seven for \$2.00.

Bunco – May 20, 2009 – 1:00 pm

Join your TWC friends for a fun afternoon. There is a \$5.00 donation to play. Dessert and coffee are served after the game.

Aquarius Hotel, Laughlin

A fun time was had by all of us. We even had a sing-along on the bus with the “Mama Mia” movie, thanks to Sharon Dorin. Please let Judy Burrow know if you would be interested in a trip to Laughlin or Las Vegas in October.

Fractured Follies “Wild, Wild West”

Thanks to all the Fractured Follies “Wild, Wild West” participants. We all had a great time, and you are such a wonderful group of women. From all the laughter, we know that the audience had a great time, too, at our “Western Revue.” Congratulations to you- it was a success!!!
Love from Judy Burrow

Torrance Wins Awards at the Marina District Convention



Beverly Greeno with Membership award and Sandy Burchell with Art Award. Also, Kathleen's neighbor, Mikayla Enfield with her winning photo and Kathleen with the two music award winners, Mason Rygh and Leigh Gaines.



Parliamentarian - Barbara Bounds

Congratulations to TWC's newly elected officers.

They are:

President:	Deanna Hanson
1st Vice President, Dean of Chairmen	Barbara Freeman
2nd Vice President, Membership	Beverly Greeno
3rd Vice President, House Chairman	Fran Day
Recording Secretary	Edith Tucker
Corresponding Secretary	Betty Abbey
Treasurer	Jeannine Glomboske
Auditor	Mary Linn Coleman
Ways & Means	Barbara Bounds
Program Chairman	Sandy Burchell
Press Chairman	Louise Lowery
Yearbook Chairman	Frances Demueles
Newsletter Chairman	Joan Earhart
Reservations Chairman	Mary Alice Platz

The officers will be installed at the May General Meeting.

THANK YOU from Barbara Freeman

With THANKS to Kathleen Davis, Deanna Hanson, and Janet Payne, I will be lunching and watching the Armed Forces Day Parade with the VIP's along with Mayor Frank Scotto. I'm very honored and humbled by all of this. It seems the ladies wrote a letter about my activities with the USO and I was invited to participate in the Armed Forces Day events along with the VIPs of Torrance.

ALSO.... I'm so glad I won the MONEY HAT at the Fashion Show. Marilyn Keller did a great job designing it.

Note of Appreciation from Beverly Greeno, Membership

THANKS! Thank You! Thank you so very much! Paying your 2009-2010 membership renewal in a timely manner is so-o-o appreciated.

Again, President Kathleen's theme, "TOGETHER WE CARE" was demonstrated and applicable to TWC members.

Postage is a premium expense. Plan to attend our May 6th General Meeting to receive your 2009-2010 membership card - be ready for the beginning of our ensuing 88th club year.

Again, Thank You!
Beverly

*We hope any of our TWC ladies who are feeling under the weather will be feeling better soon!!
Good to see Fran Glauber at the Fashion Show.*



Winners of the “Hat” contest at the April General Meeting.

Fashion Show - Joan Gillum

I want to thank **Everyone** that helped make our Fashion Show a big success and our ladies that made such beautiful baskets. Also thank you to those who donated Gift Cards. Together We Care



Ron in Fran Day’s Hat at the April Meeting.



Helping Hands - Bette Herbst

May 13th is our next Helping Hands day. We will be working on Pine Cone Flowers and Pumpkins. Come join in the fun, enjoy the morning with your fellow TWC members. We meet at 10:00 am at the Club House.



Ventura Outing - June 4, 5, & 6

We are going to the Ventura area this year instead of Palm Springs. We are staying at the Embassy Suites, Mandalay Beach Resort. It’s right on the beach and there’s lots to do in the area. The Camarillo Outlet Mall is close by as is Ventura Main street which is full of Antique stores, boutiques, ice cream, and food. There is also a movie theater by the outlet mall.

We will be checking in on June 4th and out on Sunday, June 7th. You can check out the hotel on their website. www.mandalaybeach.embassysuites.com. Their phone number is 805-984-2500. The cost with four per room will be about \$80 per person per night. This does include breakfast along with the manager’s reception each evening. There is a parking charge so it’s best to car pool.

You will need to find a group of four, unless you want to have less then four in your room which will make the cost higher. It’s a fun outing. You really get to know your fellow club members. If you want more information call Lee Large.

THANK YOU ALL FOR THE GOODIES YOU DONATE FOR THE USO AT LAX. Please know that they are all appreciated.



Lenore Ulrich really misses the Woman’s Club. She wants everyone to know her new address so we can drop her a line.

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