



July & August 2009

Torrance Woman's Club Newsletter

Marina District #18

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

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Presidents Message:

Dear Friends, It is truly a privilege and an honor to accept my role as your Club President for 2009/2010. I am humbled, thrilled and in awe to take my place on the Presidents' roster.

Installation on June 3, 2009 was an absolutely glorious day from beginning to end. It was wonderful to stand at the podium and look out at all of the ladies dressed in red to celebrate Kathleen's very successful term as President and to celebrate the kickoff of my upcoming term. The Clubhouse looked elegant and beautiful in red and white and the stars and hearts gave it a festive and celebratory ambiance. As usual, Joan Gillum, Betty Abbey and Jeanne McRae rose to the occasion and outdid themselves once again with their decorating skills. Thank you so much.

And, the piece de resistance was the Installation Ceremony written, directed and produced by Madonna Davenport. It was creative, clever, timely and thought provoking to hear the duties of the Board Members and Officers compared to a dance and "Dancing With The Stars." The script for the designated roles befitted the duties of each person. The theme for the installation was apropos as each and every member of the Torrance Woman's Club is a star. Thank you to all of you for your part in making the day a memorable, star studded event that will hold a special place in my memory bank forever.

The next day 10 TWC members headed for a resort hotel located on the beach in Oxnard. We shopped at the outlet mall, went to the movies, browsed the shops in Ventura, made a collective effort to pedal together in a "beach surrey", ate dinners out and in together and never missed the manager's reception in the evenings. I do not believe there were any silent moments. This was a break from tradition and the usual Palm Desert outing the first weekend in June. Plan to go along next year wherever the group agrees to go. I call this a "big girl's slumber party". We have fun, it is nice to get away and the laughter does wonders for the soul.

The summer is flying by. Our Board Meeting followed by the Budget Meeting will be on July 29th; the District outing at Wilderness Park is on August 14th and then in September our real work will begin again. We will continue on the path of excellence established by the Torrance Woman's Club many years ago as we continue our total commitment to "Teamwork With Community".

We have some new fund-raising ideas to present and we welcome your input and suggestions for new projects or ways to enhance projects already in place. There will be opportunities for everyone to contribute. This is our Club with a long proud history of on-going improvement. We encourage all of you to do everything possible to make it even better than it is. Accept this challenge and don't pass up an opportunity to participate. See you in September!

Love, Deanna

Dates to remember:

07/29	TWC Board Budget Meeting	9:00 am
08/19	Bunco	1:00 pm
08/14	District Outing-Wilderness Park	10:00 am
09/01	Set-Up for meeting	9:30 am
09/02	General Meeting	11:00 am

Upcoming events:

09/16	Bunco	1:00 pm
10/13	Vegas Bus Trip	

Happy Birthday July Ladies!

Helen Anear, Joanne Free, Caroline Martin, Janet Payne, Dottie Petrat, m Sorisek, E'Beth Stevenson, Edity Tucker, Betty Watson.

Happy Birthday August Ladies!

Judy Burrow, Sharon Dorin, Betty Hamilton, Ann Metzner, Beth O'Gorman, Bobbie Rendon, Bernice Rose, Pat Rosseno, Mazine Trevethen, Susan Warner, Janet Watters.

WAYS & MEANS - Barbara Bounds

Bunco

A reminder that Bunco continues throughout the summer months. The next ones will be August 19th and September 16th, 1:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse. This is a fun way to get to meet new TWC friends and support a worthy cause. We ask for a \$5.00 donation at each Bunco. Prizes are awarded; dessert, coffee and tea are served at the end of play.

Scholarship Drawing - Dorothy Mahoney

The drawing at the September 2nd meeting will benefit our Scholarship Fund Please bring prizes for the drawing at the meeting. Prizes are to be a minimum value of \$5.00, and can be wrapped or unwrapped. Tickets are 3 for \$1.00 or 7 for \$2.00. Our goal is that each member bring at least one prize for the year. Thanks for supporting the Fund.

Bus trip to Nevada in October - Check your calendar!!!!

We are planning a bus trip to Nevada for October 13-15, 2009.

The Four Queens, Downtown Las Vegas will be our destination.

\$110 double - \$130 single

Invite your friends to join you on this fun mini-vacation!

We will need your check for the trip by September 1.

Contact Judy Burrow for more information.

Installation New Officers & Chairmen "Dancing with the Stars"



TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB EXECUTIVE OFFICERS 2009-2010

President.....	Deanna Hanson
1st Vice President, Dean of Chairman.....	Barbara Freeman
2nd Vice President, Membership.....	Beverly Greeno
Co-Chairman.....	Darlene Payne
3rd Vice President, House Chairman.....	Fran Day
Co-Chairman.....	Pam Sheerin
Recording Secretary.....	Edith Tucker
Corresponding Secretary.....	Betty Abbey
Treasurer.....	Jeanne Gomboske
Auditor.....	MaryLinn Coleman
Ways & Means.....	Barbara Bounds
Co-Chairman.....	Caroline Martin
Programs.....	Sandra Burchell
Co-Chairman.....	Fran Glauber
Press.....	Louise Lowery
Co-Chairman.....	Kathleen Davis
Yearbook.....	Frances Demeules
Co-Chairman.....	Mary Alice Platz
Newsletter.....	Joan Earhart
Co-Chairman.....	Helen Anear
Reservations.....	Mary Alice Platz
Co-Chairman.....	Faye Garry
Parliamentarian.....	Kathleen Davis
Historian.....	Anita Dinicola
Director.....	Madonna Davenport
Director.....	Sharon Hooper
Director.....	Nona Kozak

First Vice President – Barbara Freeman

Mark your calendars to attend the **Marina District Summer Get Together on Friday, August 14th at Wilderness Park at 1102 Camino Real in Redondo Beach.** You may either pay \$10 or bring a side dish to serve 10 people. Hot dogs, soft drinks and water will be provided. Casual attire and flat shoes are strongly recommended along with a hat and sunscreen. This fun event will start at 11 am. Please call or email me if you didn't sign up at the June meeting and you want to attend.

I enjoyed showing some of the TWC ladies around the USO in July. It was suggested I list some of the items that could be used at the center. Each month the USO has to purchase these items unless they are donated. The USO appreciates all that the Torrance Woman's Club has done through donations and fund raising. I will list some of the items needed each month: Sandwich bread (wheat), Bulk Cereal, Hot Cereal Singles, Lunch meat (Ham, Turkey or Roast Beef), Bottled Water, Coffee, Granola Bars

Torrance Woman's Club Federation Chairmen

Dean of Chairman	Barbara Freeman
Art Department	Velta Lanham
Art in the Community	
Annual Contests:	
Crafts	Sandy Burchell
Member/Student Art	Pat Binton
Photography	
(Members/Students)	Cindy Wall & Anita Dinicola
Short Stories & Poetry	Fran Glauber
Music	Lee Large
Conservation	Sharon Dorin
Beautification Program	
Resource Conservation	
Madrona Marsh	
Recycle Programs	
Gardening	
Education	Jeri Plum
Co-Chairman	Margory Mooney & Anita Dinicola
Special Program	
Literacy Program	
Education for Life	
Libraries	
Scholarships	
Home Life	
Helping Hands	
Special Needs	Marjorie McKams
Immunization Program	Marilyn Keller
New Horizons in Health	
Women Health	Lee Large
International Dept	Lynn Robinson
Reaching Out Internationally	
United Nations Programs	
Public Affairs	
Citizenship Program,	Barbara Freeman
Civic, Military-Veterans	
Community Safety	Bernice Rose
Home Safety Awareness	
Special Relations	Fran Day
Co-Chairman	Barbara Jarvis
Special Projects	
Community Relations	Fran Day
Fund Raising Chairman	Barbara Bounds
Leadership	Deanna Hanson
Public Policy –Legislation	Sharon Hooper
Public Relations	Kathleen Davis
Exploring our Heritage	Lynn Robinson
Women's History	Nona Kozak
Membership	Beverly Greeno
Rose Float	Pam Barrett

Second Vice President – Beverly Greeno

Did you know July is National MENTORING Month?

Note: Also National Ice Cream Month - yum yum - Good!

As a 4-5 year member at TWC, I tell you again how grateful I am and how much I appreciate my personal MENTOR. She has shared a wealth of TWC information with me; she encouraged me to be involved with activities and accept responsibility. She has kept in touch with me by phone, with personal cards, and notes, and by being my friend -

A MENTOR is a wise and faithful friend, an advisor or a teacher.

Now as a TWC MENTOR, I relay my TWC knowledge and friendship to others. I'm sharing with others that which was so generously given to me.

Are you a MENTOR at our club? If so, this summer recess would be an opportunity to contact your "special" member. Phone (or write or e-mail) her to say "Hello - how's your summer?; "Hello" - remember me? I'm your Mentor from TWC; "Hello" - hope you're doing O.K. and I'll see you soon; or just remind her with a "thank you" for being a TWC member.

As a MENTOR, invite the member to the clubhouse for the next meeting; offer to "meet and greet" her and invite her to join you at your table setting. Be a caring friend, especially during the first 6-9 months of her membership to encourage her attendance. Share your TWC knowledge. An informal introduction to appointed chairmen may encourage her to become involved in Club projects and/or community activities.

As a MENTOR, remind the member of our "back to basics" and routine schedule of meeting and lunch beginning Wed. Sept 2nd. (If you are not a MENTOR, phone someone you haven't seen in awhile and remind her to attend Sept 2nd meeting.)

RETAIN MEMBERS: One of the biggest challenges facing TWC.

If our meetings and activities continue to include knowledge of facts, to be informative and enjoyable, I'm a firm believer that our members shall continue to attend each monthly meeting. (Note: approximately 60% of total membership are regular attendees.) Members who attend and members who are involved in functions / projects are less likely to drop their membership. (10 members choose not to renew their membership, 05-31-2009.) Perhaps better communication with our members (old and/or new) may help insure **RETENTION** of our membership. The more members we **RETAIN**, the better to build our financial status. The more volunteers with helping hands, the more progress we'll promote in the name of Torrance Woman's Club.

Active participation from our members is a vital part of the success of our Club. Let's aim to **RETAIN** our membership, along with promoting new members. Be a "people person"; you'll feel good knowing you're doing your part to **RETAIN** membership.

Let's celebrate! be a TWC Mentor! Be a star!
"You'll shine in 2009!" Beverly Greeno.

TWC introduces
new members
in June.



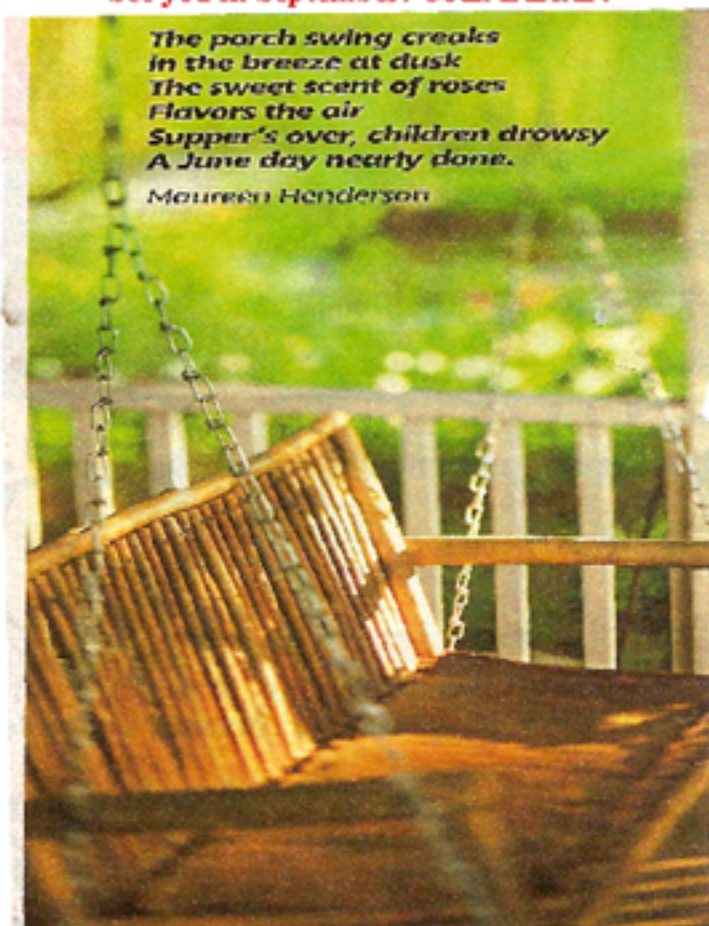
Be a MENTOR!
Be a STAR!

Enjoy the summer, June, July, and August!

See you in September. Joan Earhart

*The porch swing creaks
in the breeze at dusk
The sweet scent of roses
Flavors the air
Supper's over, children drowsy
A June day nearly done.*

Maureen Henderson



TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB INTERNAL AFFAIRS CHAIRMEN 2009/2010

Americanism.....	Bernice Rose
Burco.....	Jeanne McRae
Co-Chairman.....	Betty Abbey
Decorations.....	Joan Gillum
Co-Chairmen.....	Jeanne McRae and Betty Abbey
Drawings.....	Dorothy Mahoney
Co-Chairman.....	Toni Baldwin
Helping Hands.....	Bette Herbst
Hospitality.....	Morica Grundman
Hostess.....	Fran Day
Inspiration.....	Angelina Babick
Co-Chairman.....	Sharon Dorin
Library (Club).....	Lois Jones
Pennies for Pines.....	Patricia Rosseno
Philanthropy.....	Bobbie Austin
Co-Chairman.....	Judy Burrow
Photography.....	Joan Gillum
Co-Chairmen.....	Arista Dinicola and Cindy Wall
Remembrances.....	Barbara Crochietere
Telephone.....	Barbara Jarvis