Torrance Woman's Club

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March 2010

Presidents Message..

Dear Friends,

February was another program of music as we listened to the melodious sounds of the L.A. South Towns. They brightened our afternoon with songs that we know and love. This program was made more sparkly by the addition of 3 of our own club members who sing in this group: Margaret Carter, Marjorie McKarns and Susan Warner.

Our rummage sale was quite successful. I'm told we made approximately $830. The results were fantastic especially when you take into consideration that the items had to be brought in the day before in the pouring rain; the actual day was a very cool day for So. California residents; our attendance appeared to be much lighter than in other years and the general economic conditions, as you know, are far from perfect. However, nothing stops the TWC ladies from doing their very best to make all our endeavors successful and this was no exception. Thank you to Millie McFadden and Joyce Gohata who along with their spouses were in charge of the event. Thank you to all our club members who contributed merchandise, worked the day before and the day of and bought their things back!! This is a true example of the great teamwork that is pervasive throughout our Club.

The next day several ladies participated in the Super Bowl Race Crew distributing libations (water) to the participants in the Redondo Beach Super Bowl 10 K Run.

Then, two days later on Tuesday, February 9th, we had a full bus load that thoroughly enjoyed the Palm Springs Follies.

March will be an other exciting month. Our focus will be on our new fund raising event chaired by Sandra Burchell at the Toyota Automobile Museum on March 21st whose proceeds go to the Torrance Firefighter's Association. Be sure to support this very noble community cause.

Put your thinking caps on to think about designing and decorating an Easter bonnet to wear in the hat contest at the April 7th meeting. There will be prizes for the best theme, the funniest and the prettiest. Remember there is absolutely something for everyone in our wonderful Torrance Woman's Club.

I look forward to seeing all of you as we shop together at the "jewelry counter" on March 3rd.

Love, Deanna

Executive Officers: President-Deanna Hanson, First VP-Barbara Freeman, Second VP-Beverly Greene, Co-Chairman-Darlene Payne, Third VP-House Chairman-Fran Day, Co-Chairman-Pam Sheerin, Recording Secretary-Edith Tucker, Corresponding Secretary-Betty Abbey, Treasurer-Jeannine Glassbaske, Auditor-Mary Lou Coleman, Ways & Means-Barbara Bounds, Co-Chairman-Carolyn Marino, Program-Sandra Burchell, Co-Chairman-Fran Glauber, Press-Louise Conway, Co-Chairman-Kathleen Davis, Yearbook-Frances Doucette, Co-Chairman-Mary Alice Plaza, Newsletter-Joan Barber, Co-Chairman-Helen Acree, Reservation-Mary Alice Plaza, Co-Chairman Faye Gray, Parliamentarian-Kathleen Davis, Historian-Anna Dorado, Director-Madeline Davenport, Sharon Hoopes, Nora Kaad.

MARCH ACTIVITIES:

03/02 09:30am Set-up for meeting

03/03 11:00am General Meeting

. Betty Eggum & all A, E, I & Vs

03/10 Helping Hands

03/17 Bunco

03/19 Santa Monica Marina Dist Mtg.

03/21 12:00pm - 5:00pm

Toyota Museum

03/24 Board Meeting

APRIL ACTIVITIES

04/06 09:30am Set-up for meeting

04/07 11:00am General Meeting

04/10 TWC Fashion Show

04/14 Helping Hands

04/21 Bunco

MARCH Birthdays....

Lynn Brennan
Pat Brinton
Sharon Broadbent
Betty Eggum
Linda Eisenbart
Patti Fuchs
Jeaninne Glomboske
Lucille Hedge
Hanna Knight
Alice Nicholson
Jo Polichetti
Gloria Rezek
Mary Sereno
Pam Sheerin
Jo Snell

First Vice President. . .

The February Marina District Council Meeting was held on Friday, February 19th at the Woman's Club of El Segundo. Thirteen TWC ladies attended. We heard a short speech from each Club President on "Mentoring". Of course I think our president, Deanna Hanson, did the best job. We were reminded as our clubs hold elections for officers we should embrace change. "Shift Happens". This meeting was also the Craft Contest and TWC had nine entries with six winning ribbons.

The winning ladies are Mae O'Reilly for her knitted top. Mae won FIRST PLACE and her entry will continue on to the State Level Contest. Sandra Burchell took third place for her Knitted Bag, Margaret Carter took Honorable Mention for her knitted Baby Sweater, and Barbara Crocheitere took third place for her Basket of Coasters. Under Trash to Treasure Bette Herbst took third place for her Pumpkin made from gas dryer pipe, and Joan Earhart took Honorable Mention for her Paper Bag Basket. Good job ladies. We are proud of your craft talent. Maybe next year TWC can enter more items.

The next Marina Council Meeting will take place on March 19th at the Santa Monica Woman's Club. Please plan on attending and sign up at the next meeting. This will be the District Art Contest so get your art work to Pat Brinton or Velta Lanham at our March General Meeting. Also, the Club Presidents will be speaking on a different topic. You won't want to miss Deanna's speech. She always does a great job.

The Marina District Convention will take place on April 17th at the Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel. Club awards will be given out at this meeting. The guest speaker will be State President, Vicki Holden. This is a fun day with lunch, a great speaker, awards, and camaraderie. It's always nice to see the board members from District and the ladies from the local Woman's Club.

Marina District Board members running for a State Board position are: Norma Hayos - Treasurer, Pam Ament - Area C Vice President and two from TWC Mary Linn Coleman - Financial Secretary and Sharon Hooper - Secretary.

Barbara Freeman

Second Vice President. . .

If you have spring fever and who doesn't? – TWC may have the cure! March signifies new beginnings – reorganization, renewal and people are shopping for spring flowers to ready themselves for daylight savings time.

Our membership continues to be strong and continues to grow. As always, we thank everyone for their continued support. FRANCES GROSSO and DEANNA CUELLAR were guests at TWC and now they are TWC members! Welcome! Phyllis Donabedian and Debbie Cross have endorsed their membership applications. Thanks for recruiting your friends. "THINGS ACCOMPLISH NOTHING – PEOPLE ACCOMPLISH EVERYTHING." Together, let's share our knowledge, our interests, our friendship, and the 89 years of TWC progress. Frances and Deanna may be amazed with the longevity and accomplishments of our club.

REMINDER: "Stand up and be counted in 2010." The U.S. Census Bureau is issuing a call to action for every resident in U.S. As is the case, every 10 years, it is time for everyone to "Stand up and be counted." Census Day is April 1, 2010. Census questionnaires shall be mailed (or delivered) to households in mid-March. Only 10 brief questions that requires just 10 minutes of your time to answer. This is a civic duty to return the completed questionnaire. Consider it as a part of TEAMWORK WITH COMMUNITY.

Inspiration "plus" is how I describe the verbal information relayed (brought to us on Feb 3rd) by local Fire Department Associations personnel The seven firemen were invited by chairman, Sandi Burchell and were a part of our meeting. They brought a model camera used on sight at the time of fighting a fire. They explained the purpose of the camera and its value to the association and to the community. That's the reason TWC is sponsoring a fund raiser at Toyota Museum. We anticipate TWC donating proceeds of event towards purchase of another camera for the Fire Dept. Association of Torrance.

Have you purchased your tickets for attendance or a donation? Have you invited a friend or two to come to the museum? Have you circled the date, Sunday, March 21? BUT, most of all – have you decided the type of appetizer / snack you will donate for the afternoon festivity? (Sign up sheet available (again) on March 3rd at the meeting or phone me for additional information.)

The day, Sunday, March 21, 12 noon to 5 p.m. shall be off to a great start! TWC members and guests, ticket sales, firemen, vintage autos, refreshments, entertainment, and maybe even NASCAR drivers will join us. Members don't miss the afternoon of promoting TWC!
Beverly Greeno

TWC Trip to the Aquarius Hotel, Laughlin

The date is April 13-15, 2010 $100.00 double or $120.00 single

- Payment due at the March 3 meeting.
- Include the following with your check (made out to TWC)
- 1. An emergency name and phone number
- 2. The make and license number of the car you will be leaving at the Civic Center parking lot.
- 3. Choice of 2 Queen beds or one King bed. (King room has a lounge chair)

There is still room on the bus, so if you would like to join us on this fun trip, contact Judy Burrow

Itinerary and luggage tags will be distributed at the April meeting.

Woman's History Month will be celebrated at the March 3, 2010 meeting of the Torrance Woman's Club. Club Past Presidents will be honored at the luncheon, followed by a skit featuring the lives of several of our Country's First Ladies.

Palm Springs Follies

The Follies were wonderful - as expected! The show was especially memorable for our members and guests attending for the first time. We were joined by women from the Mar Vista and Redondo Beach Clubs.

Judy Burrow

If you haven't paid for your tickets for the Fashion Show, please do so ASAP. We're trying to accommodate everyone interested in attending and there is a waiting list. Please bring your $5 and $10 gift cards to the March meeting. March 31 is the cutoff date!

Linda will have self-addressed envelopes for anyone needing to mail their cards. If you have signed up for a committee or if you would like to help, there's still time. Dates and times will be given at the March 3rd meeting.

Thank you, Cindy and Linda

A Note of Thanks

I would like give my continued thanks to our generous members for the donations which help with the families at Rainbow Services in San Pedro.

The families are very grateful for our support. With the help of Betty Herbst's wonderful husband, Detlef, we were able to deliver 65 comfort quilts to them at Christmas time. The families love them! They are given to families for the children and they just "cuddle." Thanks to Betty for her leadership and from Detlef for his wonderful help. Thank you to the many hours of talented ladies for their work on the quilts.

Many games, socks, and underwear are also purchased with your donations for the children. Gift certificates of $10.00 (16 in total) were given to the Mom's. The total purchases and contributions came to over $1,000.00. So thank you all so very much for making this project a success.

Our next holiday for giving is Easter. I will be collecting donations at the March 3rd meeting and will be gathering everything together to give by the 10th of March, since Easter comes early this year.

Thank you for your continued support, sincerely, Louise Lowery

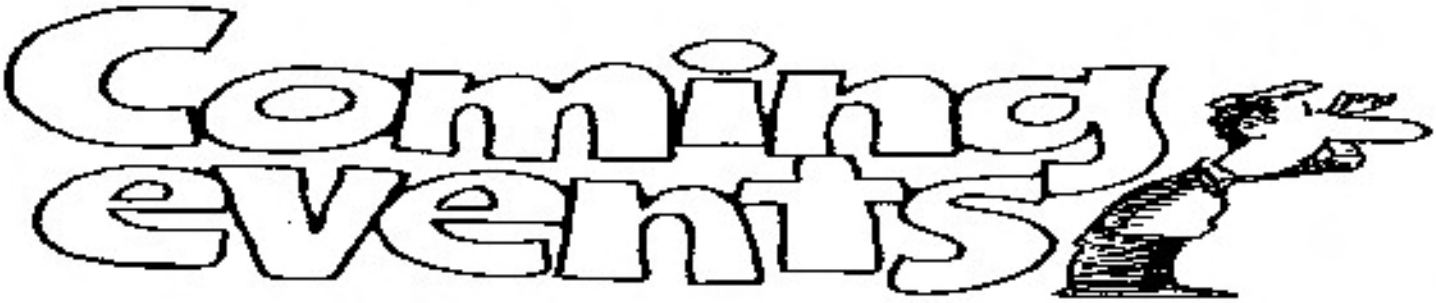
March Conservation

Do you have a lot of unused and outdated medicines in your medicine cabinet, drawers or cabinets? Do you throw them in the trash or down the toilet? Please don't!

There is a **pharmaceutical drop-off at the Lomita Sheriff's Station** for your convenience. Remove your name and ID # and drop them off. There is also a drop-off **at 1400 Highland....behind the Manhattan Beach Civic Center.** None of this needs to go into the water supply or into the air. Thanks for helping out the environment.

Sharon Dorin

Editor's Note: In an effort to conserve paper (and save our trees) save postage and printing costs, please provide your e-mail address to the Membership Chairman: Beverly Greeno OR send a Newsletter E-mail to: Joan Earhart earhart49@sbcglobal.net Please include *TWC* in your subject line when sending e-mails. Please call my cell phone listed in the RED book for additional questions or concerns. Thank you. Joan.



Congratulations, Millie McFadden & Joyce Gohata and all the ladies who volunteered at the Rummage Sale! We made over $800.00...a substantial amount considering the rain and the economy. Thanks to all the members who contributed items as well; we were definitely NOT lacking in the goods...just people! Anyhow, those of us who made purchases were satisfied with our treasures and I know those who came from the community were satisfied as well.

We're rounding the corner for year 2009-1010 Ways & Means Projects with a few projects still to come. They are:
ONGOING... Bring NEW gifts valued at $5.00 or more for the monthly meeting opportunity drawings on Tuesdays before the general meeting; benefits scholarships.

1) March 3rd (Jewelry/Accessory Sales at our general Meeting) Betty Herbst, Chairman
- bring jewelry, scarves, hats, gloves, belts to the clubhouse on Tues. March 2nd.

2) March 21st - Toyota Automotive History - See Sandy Burchell for tickets.
12-5PM - - $10/ticket - Children 10 & under - $5/ticket; benefits Torrance Fire Association. There will be a fire truck there for the children to climb on, snacks and entertainment; you can take pictures with a Grand Prix Race Car Driver and even sit in the cars.We encourage all members to participate in this event.

3) April 7th - Paper Bag Auction at our General Meeting - Lillian Albanese, Chairman
Do you have an item that you bought that didn't "fit"; did you get a birthday or Christmas gift you couldn't use; or do you have something that you have been "saving"for something/sometime but still have it setting around? Then bring it to the April Meeting for our annual "Paper Bag Auction." Members can bid on it and winners will get something they REALLY WANT! Bring them to the clubhouse on Tues. April 6th for set-up.

4) April 10th - TWC Annual Fashion Show at the Clubhouse - Cindy Wall & Linda Eisenbart Co-Chairmen
11AM Social Hour, 12 noon Luncheon, 1PM Fashion Show - fashions by Coldwater Creek. Donation: $40.00. Tickets going fast...reserve NOW!

5) May15th - Marcia's 5K Walk in Torrance - Judy Ciampa - Chairman
9AM - Tour the city following a designated pathway. Good fellowship, healthy activity for donations from $1 and up; benefits Torrance High School Scholarships.

Barbara Bounds