

Torrance Woman's Club

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Presidents Message..

Dear Friends,

The Torrance Woman's Club roared into the month of March like a lion. At our meeting on March 3rd, we introduced three new members; we shopped for jewelry and accessories and heralded in 5 Past Presidents to the strains of the Olympic Fanfare. We honored these ladies, **Nona Kozak, Bobbie Austin, Judy Burrow, Barbara Bounds and Kathleen Davis**, as our own Torrance Woman's Club Gold Medalists. What a marvelous way to celebrate Women's History Month.

Following a wonderful lunch that was served to 95 attendees (this just might be a record number) we were entertained by our own repertory group, **Barbara Crochetiere, Fran Glauber, Monica Grundmann and Mollie Walsh** who took on the roles of 4 former First Ladies and were interviewed by Geraldo's alter ego, Hollywood Riviera (**Joanne Free.**) Between the marvelous food, the exquisite ambiance and the talent that abounds in this Club, it was a day that can best be described as magnificent.

By the time this newsletter is in your hands, the Easter Bags will have been put together and given to Rainbow Services; we should be basking in the afterglow of a successful fund raiser at the Toyota Automobile Museum which will benefit the Torrance Firefighter's Association; and we will be looking towards our next big event - the Fashion Show on April 10th.

A huge round of applause for all of you for all the things you do. You are all so willing and eager to help wherever needed and this group is such a marvelous asset to our community. It is an honor indeed to be a member of this Club.

At the April meeting we will elect the officers for the upcoming year. We will also have a parade of Easter bonnets which will be judged to determine the prettiest, the funniest and the best theme. Our program for April is the Paper Bag Auction which is always great fun. I can hardly wait! See you on April 7th.

Love, Deanna

Executive Officers: President-Deanna Hesson, First VP-Barbara Freeman, Second VP-Beverly Greeno, Co-Chairman-Darlene Payne, Third VP-House Chairman-Fran Day, Co-Chairman-Pam Sheerin, Recording Secretary-Edith Tucker, Corresponding Secretary-Betty Abbey, Treasurer-Jeanette Greenboke, Auditor-MaryLynn Coleman, Ways & Means-Barbara Bounds, Co-Chairman-Caroline Martin, Programs-Sandra Birchall, Co-Chairman-Fran Glauber, Press-Louise Lewry, Co-Chairman-Kathleen Davis, Yearbook-Frances Derosales, Co-Chairman-Mary Alice Platz, Newsletter-Joan Farhart, Co-Chairman-Helen Anwar, Reservations-Mary Alice Platz, Co-Chairman Faye Gerry, Public Relations-Kathleen Davis, Historian-Artis Dinosola, Director-Makenna Davenport, Sharon Hooper, Nona Kozak.

APRIL ACTIVITIES

- 04/06 09:30am Set-up for meeting
- 04/07 11:00am General Meeting
Jean Townsend and all J, O & T's
- 04/10 TWC Fashion Show
- 04/14 Helping Hands
- 04/17 District Convention
- 04/21 Bunco
- 04/28 Board Meeting

MAY ACTIVITIES:

- 05/04 09:30am Set-up for meeting
- 05/05 11:00am General Meeting
- 05/12 Helping Hands
- 05/19 Bunco
- 05/21 Torrance Marina Dist Mtg.
- 05/26 Board Meeting



MAY Birthday

Sheila Baugh
Barbara Crochetiere
Deanna Cuellar
Belle Dorenfeld
Bette Herbst
Anne Imrie
Shirley Macaluso
Joy Marcon
Marjorie McKarna
Mae O'Reilly
Mary Alice Platz
Maria Elena Rendon



Clubhouse Note: Fran Day reports that the new roof will be installed beginning 3/16 and will most likely be completed by the 4/07 meeting!

First Vice President...

Spring is here and Summer is right behind it. I'm so glad to see the warmer weather but I guess it's not good to dress for it yet. I froze at the recent Marina District Meeting as I thought it was time for crops and sandals. Just thought you'd like to hear this bit of information.

I was happy to see eight TWC ladies at the recent Marina District Meeting which was held on March 19th at the lovely Santa Monica Woman's Club House. It was a "Birthday Party" for Marina District complete with decorations and cake. Each Club President gave a three minute speech about Membership Retention. Of course I think our President did the best. Next meeting they will talk on Creativity and Intervention. Should be interesting.

This was the Art and Photography Contest and we had some winning entries from our own membership. Pat Brinton won ribbons in two ART categories and also "Best of Show" which will go on to the State contest. Also winning ribbons in the PHOTO contest were Joanne Free in "Volunteers In Action" and Kathleen Davis in "California Update". In our Student Photography TWC had winners with Max Enfield grade K, Michael Enfield grade 2, Mikayla Enfield grade 4 and Luis Imaicela grade 8. Joseph Martin (member Carolyn Martin's son) won "Best of Show" and his photo will go on to the State Contest. Joseph is in the 6th grade. We are proud of all our winners and hope to see more entries next year.

The Marina District Convention is next month on April 17th at the Marina Del Rey Marriott Hotel. Club awards will be given out at this meeting and the guest speaker will be State President, Vicki Holden. I encourage you to attend this meeting. It's nice to hear about activities and events of our neighboring clubs and meet their members.

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First Vice President (continued). . .

The State Convention will be in San Francisco this year and the date is May 12 to 15. I'm sure Deanna and I will bring back some good information to help our club be even better, if that is possible. Everyone attending the State Convention was encouraged to be there for the voting. There are many Marina District ladies running for state positions and they need our votes. Mary Linn Coleman is running for Financial Secretary and Sharon Hooper is running for Secretary. I thought these two ladies had enough to do but they continue to add to their list of responsibilities. They are awesome.

Barbara Freeman

TEAMWORK

Second Vice President. . .

Membership: It is a pleasure to WELCOME May Ann Amato. Mary Ann joined TWC and was introduced during the March 7th meeting, along with Frances and Deanna. Thank you for being members of TWC! Each month you shall receive your newsletter with our calendar of upcoming events. We hope you'll find an activity of interest to you. The newsletter is prepared by our members and for our members. "Kudos" to editor, Joan Earhart.

Re-member: Remember our TWC membership expires May 31, 2010. The membership year runs from Jun 1, 2010 to May 31, 2011. There is NO "grace" period nor extension of time.

Re-new: Renew your annual TWC membership. The annual fee remains at \$40.00 for the entire year. Please consider re-newing your membership at the clubhouse on April 7th or May 5th or mail to the Membership Chairman, Beverly Greeno.

Re-tain: Retain your membership! We anticipate receiving a renewal fee from each of our 150 members. Each and every member is an asset to our club and a "key" for a successful club year.

Re-minder: Reminder notice to pay your membership dues is your newsletter and/or your mentor. The time frame for membership renewal is important. A monetary payment (re: each current member) is due and payable to GFWC in mid-May. Mentors: do remind your members regarding the membership renewal.

Today's members may be tomorrow's leaders. By renewing your membership, you will be making a difference in our **TEAMWORK WITH COMMUNITY.**

Beverly Greeno.



FASHION SHOW UPDATE

Ladies, if you are interested in attending 'Elegance in Black and White' and have not paid for your ticket, we need your money ASAP. Make checks to TWC and send to the clubhouse,

Gift cards and items for the baskets are coming in slowly. We do need your help to make this fund raiser a success! We'd like all cards and items by the end of March. Complete gift baskets may be brought to the next TWC meeting on April 7.

And don't forget to wear black and white!

Linda and Cindy



Hello Ladies,

As you all know the Fashion show is just Five weeks away. For the past few years we have asked our members to donate \$5.00 or \$10.00 gift cards for our Balloons or Stars, this year Linda Eisenbart and Cindy Wall have something different this year it will still work the same way If you buy a gift box you pay \$5.00 and you are guaranteed to win \$5.00 gift card or Certificate or \$10.00.

This is all profit for the Fashion Show. If we are able to get 70 gift cards donated by our members the fashion Show will make \$350.00. And everyone will be a winner. So far we only have 16 Gift cards. Please help us out and remember this is for scholarships for students in Torrance. You can mail them to the Club Attention Linda Eisenbart or Cindy Wall, or bring them to Bunco and I will be happy to get them to Linda or Cindy You can also bring them to the April General meeting. Thank You. Joan Gillum

TWC Trip to the Aquarius Hotel, Laughlin The date is April 13-15, 2010

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.

Please plan to be at the Torrance Civic Center parking lot by 8:15 a.m. The bus will depart at 8:30 a.m. We will have breakfast/lunch in Barstow. Plan to bring \$2 a card for Bingo.

Good luck to everyone!!!

Congratulations to the TWC women who presented the program in March honoring our country's First Ladies— you were wonderful! Awards go to Joanne Free, Monica Grundman, Barbara Crochetiere, Mollie Walsh and Fran Glauber.

Torrance Civic Chorale Concert The Chorale's concert will be on Saturday, April 24.

We need 5 hostesses and 2 alternates for this event Please call Judy Burrow if you would like to help.

You will get a free ticket to the concert (and maybe a couple of good cookies!!!!)

A Note of Thanks

Thank you members for voting to Support Greg Mortenson's Central Asia Institute with the donation of \$500 at the March Meeting. And thanks to Betty Herbs for chairing the "lending" of his books, *Three Cups of Tea* and *Stones into Schools*. If anyone would like to sign up to receive CIA's e-newsletter, the link is: www.ikat.org/alima.

Madonna Davenport, Philanthropy Chairman

To all who participated in the Clothes The Deal, I thank you the donators and you the helpers. We collected a total of 1,369 pieces at a value of \$10,693.00. Once more ... many thanks - Fran Glauber.

It's time to visit Hollywood so mark your calendars for Thursday, May 13th. The TWC ladies and significant others are invited to go to the Hollywood Museum where they feature movie and TV costumes, sets, memorabilia and photos of people, places and things. We will be going by bus to Hollywood Blvd. & Highland, tour the Museum which is in the old Max Factor Building, have lunch at Mel's Drive In and walk the stars on the boulevard. Look for the flyers at the April meeting. The cost is \$17.00 (includes admission, bus, driver's tip and a few \$\$\$ for TWC) Reservations and Monies to Fran Glauber at 310-370-3005.

The L.A. South Towns Show Chorus had a great time performing at the February meeting. The Chorus found the audience so enthusiastic and warm that we want to remind them of the L.A. South Towns upcoming show, "Commotion on the Ocean", being performed at the Hermosa Beach Playhouse, 710 Pier Avenue, Hermosa Beach, on Wednesday, May 19th, at 7:30 P.M. Tickets are \$20 and can be obtained from Margaret Carter, Marge McKarnes or Susan Warner at the April Meeting. A fun time is guaranteed! Margaret Carter



In April, we think of Easter (the cross), bunnies, colored eggs, etc., but now we are encouraged to think GREEN, too.

We all grew up with bleach, ammonia and lye and now we are told those products can be dangerous to our health and environment. I won't promote any "green products", but I would suggest reading Good Housekeeping.com as it would be an excellent source of information. There are many "healthier" products on the market but they can be controversial and expensive. So, I suggest you read the labels and do your own research. Or a better choice is to make your own products. Not likely for us, right? 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 Green 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 to Betty Hebert, Barbara Jarvis and Phyllis Donabedian on a great jewelry/accessory sale at the last meeting! There was lots of jewelry, etc., and we thank each of you for your donations and those who bought treasures to take home. Thank you, Fran Glauber, for taking the unsold jewelry to your residence to try and sell more! We will announce our proceeds later.

There will be NO "Opportunity" Drawing in April due to the fact that we will have our annual Paper Bag Auction. This is another fun day for us and trust you will all donate some NEW unwrapped item for this sale. Each item will be put on display with a paper bag taped in front of the item. Members and guests can purchase tickets and place them inside the gift of your choice...this way, when you win, you take home something you WANT! What a great deal! Gifts can be brought on Tuesday before the meeting or the day of the meeting.

TWC's Annual Fashion Show, "Elegance in Black and White", will be held at the clubhouse on Saturday, April 10th; 11AM Social Hours, 12 noon Luncheon; 1PM Fashion Show with fashions from Coldwater Creek. Donation: \$40.00 Send your donation and form to Cindy Wall or Linda Eisenbart and contact them to sign up for help with set-up and tear-down. We still need gift certificates; see Cindy or Linda for envelopes. There will be a session to wrap items for gift baskets at the clubhouse on Monday, April 5th @10AM. If you donate filled baskets, please list the items for identification purposes.

Bunco will be held April 21st at the clubhouse, 1PM. The proceeds will be donated to "Woman to Woman" for breast cancer research. The donation to play is only \$5.00. This disease affects us, ladies, so I know this is something you will want to support. Come and enjoy the game; it's easy to learn and a great way to meet other ladies in the club and enjoy refreshments...bring a friend too!

Marcia's 5K Walk will be held in Torrance. Meet at the clubhouse at 9AM - tour the city following a designated pathway. This is good fellowship, and a healthy activity; donations are \$1 and up; the proceeds benefit Torrance High School Scholarship. Contact Judy Ciampa, chairman, for more information.

Love, Barbara



Our Own TWC Past Presidents



Toyota Museum Sandy with Torrance Firemen



Mollie, Fran, Monica, Barbara