

TORRANCE WOMAN'S CLUB NEWSLETTER

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Attendance at our June meeting numbered 73 enjoying the delicious lunch prepared by our own **Chef Ron**. Following our meeting and lunch we were entertained by **Sharon Hooper** as installing officer for our slate of officers who will serve during the 2010/2011 term. We were given wizard hats and keys themed to the duties of each and of course one of us received a wand. It was very clever performance which made it a great deal of fun. Thank you, Sharon, for the wonderful day. And, with almost everyone wearing one color, it was lovely to look out in the audience to a sea of pink as well.

Some have suggested that I repeat the speech delivered at the last Marina District Council meeting where all the club presidents spoke on the future of their clubs and the legacy of preservation. Following are excerpts from that speech:

What does the future hold for the Torrance Woman's Club. Of course we may never know for sure, but I am quite certain that our future will continue as successfully as our history. My crystal ball suggests continued growth to the point where we may have to establish a waiting list for new members (sort of a Catch 22) and continued success as we explore new fundraising endeavors while continuing on with those that have been our greatest success stories in the past. We continue to induct new members nearly every month who are full of enthusiasm as they set out to do things that will benefit our Club which translates and extends to benefiting our community.

This is a joyful and laughter filled club and we have a lot of fun at our meetings. People are happy to come in the door and they leave smiling. Our reports and the volunteer hours that we tally up serve as

proof that our Club is, without a doubt, definitely focused on helping wherever possible. We are totally committed - to the children in our schools, to our senior citizens, to our local hospitals and service organizations, to each other, to our Club at the local, district, state and national levels and definitely to our community in every way.

We are an important part of this Community and have been since the Club began as a sewing circle in 1921. If the walls could talk, somehow I think that the ladies probably discussed much the same things that we do now from contemplating the state of affairs of their government to the future of their children.

Our Club has been led by 67 presidents over a span of 89 years. We stand here in this room on the shoulders of the giants that were here before us with our arms linked, facing forward and never losing sight of the true purpose of our Club that was founded in dedication to the advancement of general culture, civic betterment and social welfare in this community of Torrance. This is Our Town. We Love it and the Torrance Woman's Club is blessed to be a part of it. It is absolutely our intent to continue to improve the fine legacy of our Club.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as your President for the upcoming term. It is truly an honor and I am privileged to hold the gavel. We shall continue our theme of Teamwork With Community. It is a noble cause and one that benefits all of us.

Enjoy your summer - September is right around the corner and there will be much to do.

Love, Deanna

DATES TO REMEMBER

8/31	Set-Up for Meeting	9:30 am
9/1	General Meeting	11:00 am
9/8	Helping Hands	10:00 am
9/13	Mexican Train Game	1:00 pm
9/15	Bunco	1:00 pm
9/17	Marina District Meeting	9:00 am
9/29	Board Meeting	10:00 am



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR AUGUST LADIES

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

KITCHEN DUTY - SEPTEMBER MEETING

It's the D's, turn with Madonna Davenport as your leader. So, if your last name starts with a D you need to help with the set up on Tuesday, August 31st. Please be at the club house at 9:30 am. You will also be serving at the General Meeting lunch on September 1st and taking the linens home to wash. We appreciate all the members that help out with kitchen duty.

SEPTEMBER PROGRAM

September program will be "Keep Safe". This is a coalition that will speak on "Elder Abuse", "Elder Scams" and "Financial Exploitation".

BUNCO - SEPTEMBER 15, 2010 - 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.

MEXICAN TRAIN GAME

Mexican Train will be 2nd Monday of each month starting in September (the 13th). Cost is \$5.00. The money will be combined with Bunco for donation.

EDUCATION ~~ Needy families food baskets will be assembled again this year for the Thanksgiving & Christmas Holidays ~ I have

decided to begin the non-perishable food drive in SEPTEMBER this year, so you can start bringing in items I can use for the baskets. I would like to add paper products such as: paper towels, napkins, aluminum foil, toilet paper, tissues, aluminum pans (big enough to hold a turkey), and any other paper products you can add.... this would be very helpful. Also, I will have a donation jar for money to buy fresh produce...and other items and toys. (I'm going to see if Farmers Market will assist again with some produce this year as well) Anyone wishing to donate turkeys, I will put up a sign-up sheet!!

I would also ask for any new or lovingly used toys, this will help at Christmas when I buy family gifts for every member of 1 or 2 families.

SUGGESTED ITEMS: New clothing, sizes baby thru size 12/14. Scarves, hats, socks, tee shirts or any new items you can donate.

If you know a needy family in the area that can use help, please let me know, I will look into it. The names I get are from the school nurse and she goes through a background check for me...this is necessary as we have to follow protocol in this matter.

There is no way to thank you ladies for your generosity and it warms the heart every year to know we helped a family/ies that may not have celebrated a holiday without TWC's help. But, thank you for being so kind and caring...I hope you know it is greatly appreciated!!!

****Books needed too ... if you have any children's books to donate or wish to make a donation for Science books, holiday books or history books for classroom libraries I will be happy to collect them or a donation. With so many budget cuts every little bit helps.

Thank you Anita Dinicola

PHILANTHROPY--

Ladies, we've been informed that the VFW will no longer accept the food coupons that were donated to the military to use at the commissaries. They will continue to accept the pull tabs. The El Segundo Woman's Club

has a source to get the coupons to the military so we will now give our coupons to them. Also, we will continue to re-cycle cell phones and ink cartridges and collect soup labels, Box Tops for Education, eyeglasses and pink Yoplait labels. We will also continue collecting toiletries for distribution to the homeless. Thank you all who cut and counted the coupons the last several years. We collected and donated over 1,000,000 GREAT JOB----- Natalie

LAS VEGAS BUS TRIP

Bus trip to the Four Queens, Las Vegas

October 12-14, 2010 \$100 double (2 to a room) \$120 single (one person in a room)

Your payment is due by the September 1 meeting. Make the check payable to TWC.

With your check, we also need:

1. The name and phone number of an emergency contact for each guest
2. The make and model of the car you will be leaving at the Torrance Civic Center parking lot

You will receive your luggage tags and itinerary at the October meeting. Please call Judy Burrow if you need to cancel. There is a waiting list for the trip.

FASHION SHOW NEWS

Follow us "Along the Garden Path" next year on April 9th (please note the date has been changed). Our models will be wearing fashions from Draper and Damon's in Torrance. Learn more at the September 1st meeting.

Linda Eisenbart and Cindy Wall

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, November 20th TWC will be having a GALA WINTER WONDERLAND DINNER. This will be a formal dinner with entertainment.

More information to follow.

You won't want to miss this lovely and enjoyable dinner.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

I hope you have all had a pleasant summer. Now it's back to business, report business that is. Make sure you keep track of your hours now so you'll be ready to fill in your forms. We want TWC to shine this year with

all the hours and dollars you have all given to support TWC and other activities.

WAYS & MEANS - SANDY BURCHELL

September rolls around so fast "and the days linger on - September, October, November..." We have a great year ahead and I will need your help in accomplishing the goals for our Club.

A reminder that Bunco continues throughout these months. August 18 and September 15, 1:00 pm at the Clubhouse. This is a great way to get to meet new TWC friends and support a worthy cause. Each month the proceeds (\$5.00 donation plus \$200 from the Club is budgeted) is included in a donation to a different cause. Dessert, coffee and tea are served at the end of the day.

Scholarship Drawing

The drawing at the September 1 meeting will benefit our Scholarship Fund. Please bring prizes for the drawing at the meeting. Prizes can be wrapped or unwrapped. Tickets are 3 for \$1.00 or 7 tickets for \$2.00. Our goal is that each member bring at least one prized for the year (not all at once, of course)

Available Chairmanships:

What can you do for our club? Sign up to head up a fund-raising committee. What do we need?

(One-time chairmanship) - Sammy's Pizza night. Requirements? Coordinate with Sammy's Pizza for available night/hand out flyers to membership/show up at Sammy's on appointed night.

(One-time chairmanship) - NOVEMBER - Pala Casino Day-Time Bus Trip - Take names of interested parties. (I have forms) Collect the \$20 for participating members.

(One-time chairmanship) - OCTOBER - Ralph's Community List - Collect names of all Ralph's Grocery Store card members. Submit to Ralph's (via form that I have) and collect a check from Ralph's.

CHRISTMAS FOR RAINBOW SERVICES

It's almost Christmas time again and that means I will once again be asking for your generous help in supporting Rainbow Services Battered Women's Shelter in San Pedro. They assist and protect women and children from spousal abuse. They offer safe housing, legal aid, financial aid, counseling, job training and psychological therapy to help families to return to a normal life. They depend on the generosity of the public for support to be able to continue aiding these families in need. So please give from your heart so Rainbow Services can continue with this important work. They also need the following items for children and teenagers:

Pajamas, sweaters and jackets,
shoes, socks and slippers, T-shirts
and underwear.

I have a complete list of all items they can use if you would like more information. I want to thank all of you for your generous support in aiding these families and helping to make Christmas a happy time for all.

I will also be collecting school supplies for the children at the shelter. This is a great time to pick some up during the back to school sales!

Louise Lowery

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

This year Marina District has issued separate membership cards. As members of TWC you are also members of the district. The cards will be distributed with the yearbooks. We hope to have 5 new members introduced at the September meeting. I have asked each of them to write a few sentences about themselves for the next newsletter. Area C is collecting stuffed animals for the Conference on October 16th. They will be donated to a charity by Area C. TWC would like to support this program by collecting stuffed animals at the October meeting. They should be new and 8 to 12 inches in size.

GOT UNUSED CHIRSTMAS CARDS?

We can use any leftover unused Christmas Cards for the "Christmas Cards for a Soldier" program. A teacher in the El Segundo School District gives children Christmas cards to write in for our soldiers. The cards are included with packages sent by the Blue Star Mothers. There is also a program to recycle cell phones for the soldiers. Contact Sharon Hooper if you have items for either program.

HELPING HANDS

At the September Helping Hands meeting we will tie quilts that will be given to Rainbow Services at Christmas. No sewing skills are required, just time and willingness to help. We will show you how.



July 4th at Wilson Park

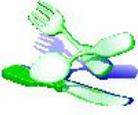
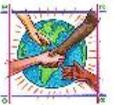


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TWC WEEKLY PLANNER

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Aug 22</i>	<i>Aug 23</i>	<i>Aug 24</i>	<i>Aug 25</i>  10:00 AM TWC Board Meeting	<i>Aug 26</i>	<i>Aug 27</i>  11:00 AM - 1:00 PM Marina District Summer Social	<i>Aug 28</i>
<i>Aug 29</i>	<i>Aug 30</i>	<i>Aug 31</i>  9:30 AM Meeting Set Up	<i>Sep 1</i>  11:00 AM TWC General Meeting	<i>Sep 2</i>	<i>Sep 3</i>	<i>Sep 4</i>
<i>Sep 5</i>	<i>Sep 6</i>  Labor Day	<i>Sep 7</i>	<i>Sep 8</i>  10:00 AM Helping Hands	<i>Sep 9</i>	<i>Sep 10</i>	<i>Sep 11</i>
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