



Torrance Woman's Club

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Marina District #18

California Federation of Women's Clubs General Federation of Women's Clubs January 2012

President's Message

What a wonderful meeting we had in December with 93 ladies present to enjoy the Torrance Civic Chorale. Our clubhouse looked spectacular with a Christmas tree decorated by Lillian Albanese and the table decorations by Joan Gillum, Betty Abbey and Jeanne McRae. It really got me in the holiday spirit.

Our gift wrapping at Barnes and Noble was a big success due to **Anita Dinicola**. She worked very hard at this fundraiser. Thanks Anita. Also a big Thank You to **Louise Lowery** for all her efforts with the Rainbow House project.

I hope you all had a Happy Holiday Season with friends and family. It is such a heart warming time of the year. Now we should all be rested (haha) and ready to start a successful 2012 with the many plans in store for us. Our January meeting will show us what some dogs can do to help us out and then we have the rummage sale on the 28th. Next month will bring the brown bag meeting, and the Torrance Centennial Valentine Tea.

Seems like TWC never has a quiet time. You ladies always amaze me at what you do to make the club better. I feel so lucky during this time of the year for the many things I have and the TWC ladies and the club are right there at the top of my list. You really are Terrific Women.

TERRIFIC WOMEN CAN do anything!

Love

Barbara



Dates to Remember

1/3	Meeting Set Up	9:30am
1/4	General Meeting	11:00am
1/9	Mexican Train	1:00pm
1/11	Helping Hands	10:00am
1/18	March Prog. Rehearsal	10:30am
1/18	Bunco	1:00am
1/20	Marina Dist. Meeting-Toyota Museum	
1/21	Marina Dist. Spaghetti/Western Night	
1/27	Set Up for Rummage Sale	
1/28	Rummage Sale	
1/31	Set Up Feb. Meeting	9:30am
2/1	Feb. Meeting	11:00am
Pot Luck and Paper Bag Auction		
2/12	Valentine Tea	2:00pm

Happy Birthday to our January Ladies

Mary Linn Coleman, Kathleen Davis, Natalie DiMercurio, Mary Fitzpatrick, Arline Hedding, Dorothy Mahoney, Judith McCoy, Milli McFadden



Kitchen Duty for January - H, V, A's

If your last name starts with **H, V, or A** you will need to come on Tuesday, January 3rd at 9:30am to help with set-up. Then on our January 4th meeting day you will need to help in the kitchen serving and also take home the laundry. **The club thanks you for your help!**

President - Barbara Freeman, First VP - Sharon Hooper, Second VP - Beverly Greeno, Third VP - Fran Day, Recording Sec. - Anita Dinicola, Corresponding Sec - Caroline Martin, Treasurer - Jeaninne Glomboske, Auditor - Mary Linn Coleman, Ways and Means - Sandra Burchell, Program - Fran Glauber, Press - Louise Lowery/Kathleen Davis, Yearbook - Frances Demeules, Newsletter - Gerry Bennett, Reservations - Susan Warner, Parliamentarian - Deanna Hanson, Historian - Lynn Robinson, Directors - Nona Kozak, Madonna Davenport, and Barbara Bounds.

First Vice President, Dean of Chairmen

Sharon Hooper

Report writing is going to start after the first of the year. Anyone who hasn't reported your hours, please contact me ASAP. As always, TWC is a shining example of what Federation is all about. We are all so proud of "what we do".

January, thanks to Fran Glauber, is a wonderful presentation of what animals do for us. Don't forget to bring a picture of your "most wonderful pet in the whole wide world" to the meeting. We will post them on a display board for all to enjoy. Anyone wanting to enter their photo into the Art Contest, bring them in an 8 x 10 enlargement for entry.

Marina District: Next Council Meeting at the Toyota Museum, a sign-up sheet will be at the meeting. It is a great time to meet your friends from other Marina District Clubs and share ideas. Reports will be due so we will be working away to get them ready.

Also, plan on attending the Marina District Fundraiser "Spaghetti Western Night": January 21st at the El Segundo Woman's Club. Cost is \$20.00 for a fun filled evening of great original and authentic Italian spaghetti. Wine available, games, and a super fun Oater Western (which we have probably enjoyed many times if you are a spaghetti-western fan like I am). Let's all get behind this fun-fun-fun evening. Western attire is definitely the mode of the evening. See you there Dude!!

Reminder: Those ladies who are in the March presentation, the first rehearsal is Wednesday, January 18th at 10:30 AM. At this time you will be getting your scripts.

Program - Fran Glauber

We are proud to have 3 speakers who will enlighten us on their organization, each one speaking for approximately 15 minutes each.

The first will be Bob Chiota and his Beagle friend Bella. Bob does Pet Visitation at Torrance Memorial Hospital and they will tell you what they do as they visit patients.

Second will be Bea from ADT (Animal Disaster Team) telling how dogs are trained and used when a disaster strikes.

Last but no least, Kathy from CERT (Community Emergency Response Team) telling you about emergency preparedness.

All of these people should be interesting, informative and knowledgeable in their organizations. **Don't miss this program!**

Creative Writing Contest - Fran Glauber

Attention Creative Writers: January meeting is the deadline for your story telling, your poetry, your prose and anything else you want to share by writing it down.

Give your 7 copies to Fran Glauber and we'll keep our fingers and toes crossed that your masterpiece will win a place in the contest.

Bus Trips - Judy Burrow

Bus Trip to the Palm Springs Follies Wednesday, March 14, 2012

We still have room for more guests for this trip. Sign up at the January meeting or call Judy. \$120.00 per person
Includes the bus trip, tip for the driver, show tickets, Lunch at the Hilton, stop at Hadley's on the way home.
Payment due at the February meeting
Contact: Judy Burrow

Bus Trip to the Riverside Hotel, Laughlin April 10-12, 2012 - Tuesday to Thursday

We already have 38 signed up, and we can just take 50. Get your name on the list as soon as possible.
\$115.00 each- double occupancy -
\$135.00 for a single. This includes 2 nights at the hotel, bus trip, tip for the driver, 1 breakfast buffet, 1 choice buffet, casino incentives, baggage handling, and of course, fun on the bus ride!!!!

Payment is due at the March TWC meeting.
Contact: Judy Burrow



Second Vice President, Membership

Beverly Greeno

NEW YEAR * NEW life * NEW friends * NEW Challenges

With the Holiday Season behind us, it's time for TWC to set our goals and move toward the NEW YEAR. 'Tis our big chance to make a fresh start for the remaining months of TWC Club Year, January - May.

Greet the NEW YEAR with the belief that wonderful things are about to happen at TWC.

January, 2012, is about to begin and I challenge each of you to make the NEW YEAR the "Year of Involvement". Make a resolution to:

- ☉ Volunteer a few hours a week, or a month, in name of TWC
- ☉ Increase our attendance - join us for TWC General meetings and lunch held at 11:00am the first Wednesday of each month.
- ☉ Be generous to promote interest: contribute donations for opportunity drawings at meetings.
- ☉ Invite a family member, friend, or neighbor to join TWC Membership.

Put some HAPPY in your NEW YEAR! Get ready - Get set - Go for the Gold! There are many projects, events, and challenges projected for the NEW YEAR. There's an interest waiting for each and everyone of us, so let's be involved ---

- ☉ Increase our membership
- ☉ Eliminate clutter and donate to January rummage sale
- ☉ Donate to the Brown Bag Auction in February
- ☉ Come join us: February Centennial Tea at the clubhouse in recognition of City of Torrance 100 years.
- ☉ April, Annual Fashion Show
- ☉ April - Marina District Convention
- ☉ Nomination and election of officers and chairmen, ensuing year, 2012-2013.

TERRIFIC WOMEN CAN lead the way and have a host of followers. Will you be a leader or follower?

May this New Year bring good health and happiness to each of us and our families.

January is a good month at TWC. **TERRIFIC WOMEN CAN** give a big cheer to one and all for the 2012 NEW YEAR!

Beverly's Thought For The Month:

'One of the wisest people I've known, my grandmother, told me when I was just a youngster: No matter what job you are doing, do it to the best of your ability. It doesn't matter if the job is making a bed, finishing a homework assignment or when you're older, working in a company or volunteering - do your very best.' Grams was right. Slackers never win - and winners never slack.

YES! TERRIFIC WOMEN CAN be winners!



Torrance Centennial Valentine Tea Celebration Sunday, February 12, 2012 - 2pm at The Torrance Woman's Club.

Step back in time and enjoy a delicious Valentine English Tea. Meet Mr. & Mrs. Jared Sidney Torrance and see a style show of historic fashions while learning about our City's history. Bring your friends for a delightful afternoon and an opportunity to win the \$100 Valentine.

*RSVP by February 7, 2012 to
Kathleen (310)634-8026*

*Donation: \$25.00 per person. Please make your check payable to TWC. You can give your check to Kathleen Davis at our meetings or mail to the Torrance Woman's Club,
1422 Engracia Avenue, Torrance, CA 90501.*



Mexican Train and Bunco

Come join the fun playing Mexican Train on the second Monday of the month and Bunco on the third Wednesday of the month. If you don't know how to play these games we can teach you as we play. They are easy games and your \$5.00 donation goes to a different charity each month.

We always have fun and enjoy each others company along with enjoying a yummy snack.

Torrance Civic Chorale Concerts

The members of the Torrance Civic Chorale wish to thank the TWC women who signed up to help at the concerts. Friday night: **Millie B., Patti F., Juanita M., Eleanor E., and Edith T.** Saturday night: **Phyllis D., Jeralyn K., Lori S., Sandy B., and Monica G.**

Fractured Follies Practice

Our first meeting for "A Fractured Fairy Tale" will be on Monday, January 9, 2012 at 11:00 a.m. Please plan to attend if you would like to participate. Bring your lunch and stay on for Mexican Train. The play will be presented at the May TWC meeting. Contact: Judy Burrow

TWC Rummage Sale - Joyce Ghata

The date for our Rummage Sale is Saturday, January 28th. You can bring your items on Friday, January 27th. Please sign up at our January General Meeting to help out with this fundraiser. If you have any questions you can contact Joyce.



Crafts Contest - Barbara Crochetiere

Ladies: It is that time of year. Get your Crochet Hooks, Knitting Needles, or whatever and get going. It is time to be turning in your goodies. I will have the paperwork at the meeting. Three items, \$1.00 each. I have to have them by the February meeting so if they are ready you can bring them to the January meeting.

Thanks

**Barbara Crochetiere,
Craft Chairperson**



Art Contest - Lou Schumacher

Members can enter one in each Art Category: Watercolor, Oil or Other Medium; Portrait, Scenic, or Still Life; Novice or Advanced. We also have China Painting Novice or Advanced. Bring signed entry form and \$1 per entry up to \$3. I will have the forms at the January meeting. Your art is due to me by the February meeting.

Cash awards will be made to 1st place winners in the following Student brackets; Graduating Senior (Scholarship) Grades 9-12; Grades 7-8; Grades 4-6; Grades 2-3; Grades K-1 and Special Ed Students: Grades K-8 and Grades 9-12. No entry larger than 24" X 30" and No entry with glass will be accepted. Clubs need to bring a list of the students entering, their grade category with the club's name and be sure to have the Student Art Contest Entry Form Attached to each entry.



Conservation - Sharon Dorin

GOOD NEWS!! Heal the Bay, which calculates and documents statistics from more than 50 cleanup sites in the South Bay area, shows that 11,000 volunteers participated and collected 22 tons of trash during this year's International Coastal Cleanup Day. WOW!

The importance of community involvement is essential in improving the public awareness of coastal pollution. People must see firsthand the impact they leave on the environment. Each of us must take the responsibility and educate our "young folk" to do the **right** thing.

Gift Wrap Fundraiser - Anita Dinicola

A big thank you to all our members who "Wrapped" at Barnes & Noble gift wrapping event !! It was a fun project and we made a nice sum of money toward the Scholarship Fund. Our members were courteous and patient with the customers, and did a great job wrapping. The manager was very pleased and impressed with our group. We enlisted the help of the South Bay Junior woman's club and they told me it was a great experience.



Torrance Civic Chorale at our December Meeting



Marina District News

Marina District Fundraiser Spaghetti Western Night

This event will be held on January 21, 2012 at the El Segundo Woman's Club, 541 Standard St in El Segundo. The doors open at 5:30pm, dinner at 6:00 and an Ole Western Movie at 7:00. Donation is \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for Children 10 and under. I will have tickets at our



January General Meeting. We will learn a couple line dances so come dressed in your western gear but no guns or horses. There will be a prize for the best western costume.

Sew Much Comfort - Marina District will be collecting items at the January District Meeting.

Slightly new is the Sew Much Comfort Project. It's mission is to collect new clothing for the wounded to have them adapted by their seamstress. Clothing is adapted in order to fit the wounded comfortably and to allow them some dignity. If not for the adapted clothing, only a hospital gown would be available to wear, which most likely would not fit properly due to their injuries, medical devices, casts, and prosthetics. Items needed are: Athletic Shorts, T-shirts, Boxers, and PJ Bottoms/Lounge Pants.

There are four things that you cannot recover in life:

- (1) The Stone...after it's thrown
- (2) The Word...after it's said
- (3) The Occasion...after it's missed
- (4) The Time...after it's gone