

YORBA LINDA LIGHTS

The Newsletter of The Yorba Linda Womans Club

A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMENS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL & CALIFORNIA FEDERATION OF WOMENS CLUBS



Upcoming Events

- 2/1 Book Club 9:30
- 2/1 Student Art Committee 5:30 pm
- 2/3 Sew Kind 1 pm
- 2/8 Bunco 7 pm
- 2/9 Out to Lunch 11:30
- 2/10 Threads of Love 1-3 pm
- 2/10 Board Meeting 7 pm
- 2/17 General Meeting 7 pm
- 2/24 Out to Dinner
- 3/12 & 3/13 CRAFT FAIR**

Ladies,

In February, we celebrate our club birthday, and we acknowledge our Yorba Linda Woman's Club past presidents. Please join me at the General Meeting on February 17th as we thank these ladies for the years and years of volunteering and leadership. Each is important to our legacy.

Each new president, me included, takes advice from her Past President Advisor and her Board. I've been very lucky to have Marcia and the Board to support me. We talk at length before any decisions are made. These have been hard days with the Pandemic. I am reminded each month that "you can't please all the people all of the time." If I could make everyone happy all the time, I would.

I am hoping for a February in-person meeting but who knows. Leslie Sorrells, the Amenities Co-chair, has been keeping me up to date with the number of members attending. We are down to the mid 40' attending and we have 111 members. I am requesting that Carrie Knipfer send out a survey regarding the February 17 meeting; do you want to meet in person in the Yorba Room, or have the meeting via Zoom? Each has its fallbacks, and I will stick with majority rules.

Please continue to support your chairs as they ask for donations or for volunteering time. "Be kind to each other."
(Collect)

Thanks for all you do,
Susie



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

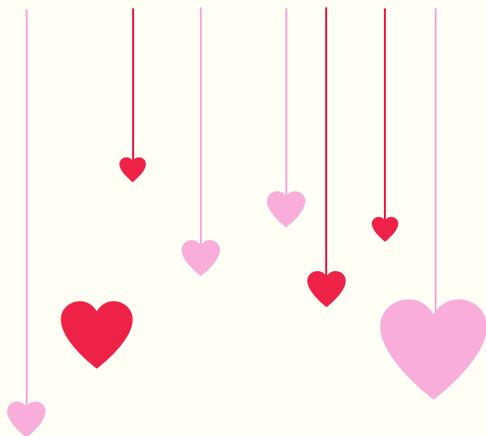
Susie Autry





A MESSAGE FROM 1ST VP CO-DEAN

Kaycee Stack



"THE STRENGTH OF THE TEAM IS EACH INDIVIDUAL MEMBER. THE STRENGTH OF EACH MEMBER IS THE TEAM." PHIL JACKSON

Our club did an incredible amount of service during 2021! Although Covid still affected the process, we managed to move forward and continue to serve the community.

Many of you may hear about club reports that are submitted each year and wonder what this is about. Each calendar year clubs submit to the District two types of reports: Statistical and Narrative. The Statistical Report documents in-kind and monetary donations, volunteer time, and the number of projects we completed. The Narrative Reports highlight our club's projects including details of whom we served, and how it was accomplished. In the Narrative Report, we are able to share our successes and our commitment to the community. These reports are also our club's history and can be used to justify our 501(c)(3) status.

Yearly reports have been submitted to the Orange District! We were able to complete 76 projects, recorded 7544 hours of service, and received \$4,93 in donations and \$51,799 of in-kind donations!



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CLUB OFFICER?

The job responsibilities can be found for each office in the yearbook. If you are interested, please email [Marcia Willett](mailto:Marcia.Willett@yorbalights.org) with your qualifications so you can be presented to the nominating committee for consideration.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE



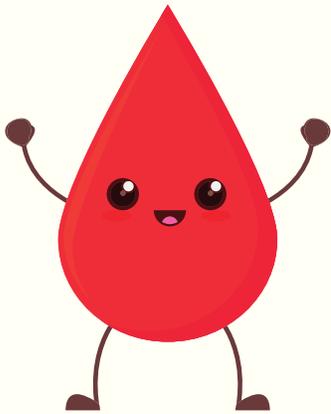
Happy Valentines Day

I hope February brings us some Covid-free days. Please remember March Craft Fair will be around the corner and it is part of our obligation to the club to help out in any way we can. Looking forward to seeing you all there !!

A MESSAGE FROM
2ND VP
MEMBERSHIP

Lucy Huerta

Volunteers Needed



BLOOD DRIVE

April 23, Community Center

Reach out to Laura Metsker for more info



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FINANCIAL UPDATE

Financial Report for February 2021



A MESSAGE FROM DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Dottie Jensen

The Budget Committee met in January and decided to wait until after the Spring Craft Fair is over before we change the budget. We will know how much money we can divide between projects at that time.

We did recommend to the general members that we allocated \$3,000 to the Art & Culture program for the Art Contest. There is \$1,000 in the original budget so this will give the chairman a total of \$4,000. There is a \$500 budget for award ceremony expenses. This will include a ceremony for both Academic and art scholarships.

As of January 24, the current bank balance is \$42,161.08.



SOCIALITES



Our **February 9th social lunch will be at Monarch9 Café.** The address is 22755 Savi Ranch Parkway. We will meet on Wednesday at 11:30 am. We will have a room just for us or if it is a nice day we will sit outside on their patio. Monarch 9 has Vietnamese French cuisine. The restaurant is a family-owned restaurant and the owners are very nice. Join me for a new adventure. Please contact Dottie Jensen if you would like to attend.

Our **February dinner will be Thursday, February 24th at 6 pm at Terra Wood Fire Kitchen** at 4884 Main St. We will be sitting on their patio in very comfortable cushioned seats. They have heaters if it is cold. Nick and Doreen, the owners are a very nice couple and have wonderful food. Especially their homemade carrot cake. Please contact Dottie Jensen if you would like to attend.



WE NEED YOU THIS SPRING!

A MESSAGE FROM CO 3RD VP'S
WAYS AND MEANS

Nikki Ware and Nicole Leyva

We know it is still winter but we are all thinking about Spring! The Craft Fair committee has already started working on the 2022 Spring Craft Fair to be held on March 12th and 13th! Over 114 vendors have already sent in their applications and we have over 30 vendors signed up on our waitlist. Please look for the volunteer sign-up sheets at our General Meeting in February as we have many spots to still fill.

We are also in need of gift cards for our opportunity baskets. Please plan on bringing any gift cards to your favorite local restaurants, movies, or shops. All gift cards can be given to Cindy DeMint, Opportunity Baskets Chair. Thank you for your continued support of the club's biggest fundraiser.

Nicole and I appreciate all of you for helping to make this another successful fundraiser.



Did you know?

A requirement of being a member is volunteering for our fundraising events. We have an opportunity at every skill level. We need every member to volunteer to make this event a success.

THE IMPORTANCE OF COMMUNITY WHEN RECOVERING FROM TRAUMA

LUCY PARK
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS CHAIR

When Human Trafficking Awareness month looms, I contact the Orange County Human Trafficking Task Force asking them what their needs are. I usually get requests like towels or sheets. This year was different. I was asked to organize an ice-skating event for their clients. The Anti-Trafficking Services Program director for Salvation Army, Cindy Islas sent out the flyer I created. A total of 8 people participated: caseworkers, clients, the director, and me. For many, it was their first time in an ice rink. Some requested an ice-skating aid (like a walker) to help them on the ice. A quarter of the time I held a toddler, letting the mother enjoy this new experience. Outings help build community, develop trust with caseworkers and replace bad memories with fun ones. Community activities help survivors move forward. Afterward, we had an informal pizza party. After dropping off clients I have a huge joy-affirming bubble in my belly.



TEEN DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

February 1-28, 2022

SEW KIND AND THREADS OF LOVE

AILEEN BAKER & ANDREA HAGEN; SEW KIND CO-CHAIRMEN
JACKIE MCPHETTERS, THREADS OF LOVE; CHAIRMAN

February is the month for Valentines and doing something “sweet” for someone, so be a “sweetie” this month and join one of the sewing groups to do a lot of sweet things for all the charities that they support. For all you new members, this is just to let you know that you don’t have to be a sewer to participate in either of the groups. There are plenty of other things you can do to help. If you crochet or knit, there is something simple that you can do in that area too. None of our projects are difficult; all that is needed is a willingness to help where needed. The groups meet in the Clubroom in the Community Center for about 2 hours, from 1:00-3:00 pm on the 1st and 2nd Thursdays of each month.

Sew Kind workshop: February 3, 2022

Thread of Love workshop February 10, 2022



STUDENT ART & PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST & AWARDS CEREMONY

ANGIE COHEN, STUDENT ART & PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST CHAIR

A huge and sincere thank you to all you ladies who have volunteered to make the comeback of our annual student art show & Scholarship awards ceremony be a successful event in our community!

Our first planning committee meeting will be on **Tuesday, February 1 from 5:30 - 7:00 pm at the community center in the Yorba room**, where we will break down The event into specific job duties (subcommittees). Even if you did not have the opportunity to sign up at the general meeting and are interested in finding out how you can help, please join us and enjoy some light Refreshments. Looking forward to seeing you on February 1.

THANK YOU!

DONNA WATKINS, CIVIC ENGAGEMENT CHAIR

Thank you for helping make the Christmas party at Camp Pendleton so special. I wish everyone could see the smiles on the kid's faces when they are given a Christmas gift. Because of your generous giving, we delivered 73 gifts to the kids.

It was very special this year because their parents are deployed. I talked to one grandparent who drove 2 hrs. so her grandkids could enjoy the day. Thank you again.



Thank You!

BIKERS AGAINST CHILD ABUSE AKA B.A.C.A.
INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Just wanted to let you know that with your help, I was able to collect 175 bears and 102 jackets/vests during 2021. Thank you so much for your generosity.

B.A.C.A. is in continuous need of standard size teddy bears, approximately 12" to 18" tall that a child can take to bed, as well as carry to a courtroom, and any size plain denim jackets or vests to fit male or female children ages 5 to 18 years old. Keep in mind that some teens may require larger adult sizes.

Used bears cost only \$3 to \$4 each; used jackets and/or vests; \$4 to \$10 each. Please check with local thrift stores for these items, as well as your closets and storage areas. Ask your neighbors and friends, too!

The people in B.A.C.A. are dedicated to ensuring the safety of children caught in the crossfire of domestic strife. Your support is critical to help enable their efforts. Any assistance you can provide will be helpful. For more information about this worthy organization go to: Bacaworld.org.



Ann Walker, Chairman

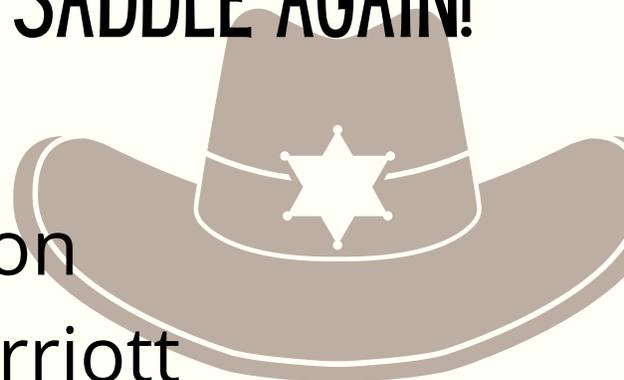
SAVE THE DATE - BACK IN THE SADDLE AGAIN!

May 12-14

CFWC Convention

Delta Hotel by Marriott

12021 Harbor Blvd, Garden Grove



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HOLIDAY PARTY

I believe everyone who attended the Holiday Party on December 9th had a great time. Black Gold catered the food and it was delicious. The entertainer, Tony Odell Rogers was very entertaining. We had two special guests, Lisa Sherg's daughter, Anna sang Christmas songs for us and she has a fantastic voice. The special guest, Santa attended for everyone to get pictures with him. The word got out throughout the community center and young kids came over to get to see Santa. **A Big Thank you to the committee, Donna Watkins, Pat Rune, Heather Laporte, Diane Cieslak, Angie Cohen, Audry Blanchet, Louise Hernandez, and Cheryl Bowen.**



LAST CALL

If you would like to have a bylaw change considered, please email carrie.knipfer@gmail.com by Feb 1, 2022.

Fun FACTS

February

The Saxon term for the month, Sol-monath, means "cake month". This is because they offered cakes to the gods during this month.

February 2 is Groundhog Day

February 12 is Abraham Lincoln's Birthday. ...

February 14 is always Valentine's Day

February 15 Susan B. Anthony birthday

February 21 President's Day

February is African-American History Month.