

Yorba Linda Lights

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PRESIDENT – SUSIE AUTRY

President's Message:

Theme: Together — Teach — Trust

This morning, a group of eight Yorba Linda Woman's Club members participated in the Orange District fundraiser which was held in Tustin at Polly's Pies. It is a great feeling to support other clubs and our district since we certainly know firsthand about the change in our fundraising due to Covid. We had a great time. The food was good and the comradery even better.

But then a problem...there were only two waiters for the entire restaurant. We probably spent more time waiting for our bills than we did eating. Obviously, the manager had let his/her staff down by not communicating that there would be an additional twenty or thirty women all coming in at 11:30. Some "grouchy" sentiments were tossed around. I wanted out of there myself. When we could finally pay, we all tipped heavily because as we talked we realized these two men were working very hard and it wasn't their fault that communication hadn't happened within their restaurant.

I started thinking about our Craft Fairs. Our fairs are phenomenal; they run so smoothly. Remarks from shoppers and vendors can't praise us enough. What do we do right that this restaurant did wrong?

We band *together* to ensure our Craft Fairs work! Everyone in the club is involved. We plan, and plan and then plan some more and then *communicate* for months. We *teach* other members the various roles. We give them an opportunity to shadow us as we teach, and they *learn*. And finally, when those doors open at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday we are ready with smiles on our faces and the knowledge that we are as prepared as anyone could be because we *trust* each other.

Covid is eating away at our comfort, our routines, and for some, our health both mental and physical. Covid is not only affecting each of us but is also affecting small business owners, servers, clerks, hairdressers, teachers, etc. Let's remember that the rest of our community may not have it as together as we do in the Yorba Linda Woman's Club. Paraphrasing Mary Stewart in *The Collect*, "let us not forget to be kind!"

1ST VPS – KAYCEE STACK AND MARCIA WILLETT

A season of being Thankful and Grateful

As we move into the season of Thanksgiving, I would like to say thank you to our Program Chairs who have continued to work endlessly to supply great opportunities for our members. I would like to say thank you to the Project Chairs who keep coming up with new ways to provide help to those in need. And a huge thank you to the members who support all of the club's adventures!

I am grateful for the "Out of the Box" thinking our club, CFWC, and GFWC have been pursuing to keep us informed and engaged. I am grateful for the chance to share our wisdom and experience. Most of all, I am grateful to our members for their open and giving hearts!

Kaycee Stack

Co-Dean 1st VP

At our October meeting the club adopted a motion to support \$10 for JOYA Scholars fundraising campaign on a voluntary basis. Joya Scholars mission is to inspire and prepare students from families of low-income communities to succeed through higher education. We have been supporting this organization for several years with scholarships for graduating seniors and attending their gala fundraising event. Since they have not been able to have their annual gala this is one fundraising event to help give them operating capital for necessary supplies and to help pay for application fees for college bound students. They are asking for a \$10 or more donation. I collected donations from our members at the meeting of \$330. Thank you to every generous donor!!! Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could send them \$400? Are there 7 more members who did not get a chance to donate who would help make this goal? If so, please send me your check for \$10, or more if you are able, made out to the Yorba Linda Woman's Club. I thank you very, very much and so do the students.

Marcia Willett

JOYA Chairman

2ND VP = LUCY HUERTA

Hello Members!

I hope all is going well you and your families! It was wonderful seeing some of you at our last Covid friendly General Meeting! I have a few women interested in joining our club, hopefully next newsletter I'll be able introduce them.

Please also be on the lookout for an activity for our club in December! Stay Safe, Stay Healthy!

Lucy Huerta.

2nd VP Membership

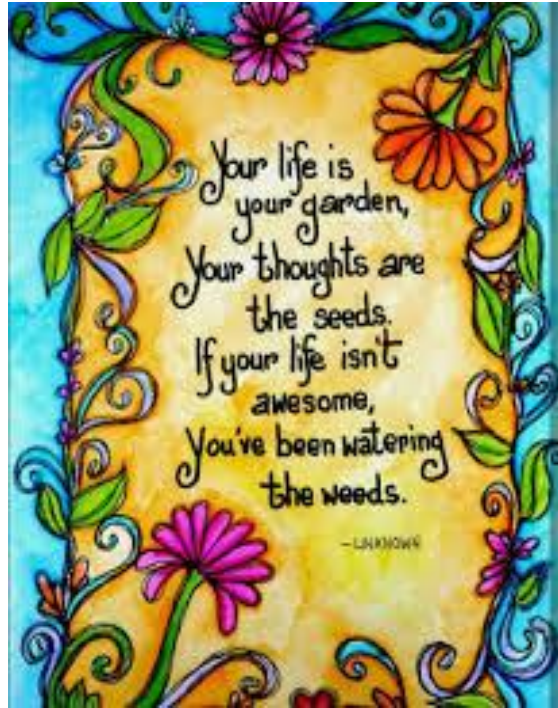
3RD VP – SALLY BARRON

Thank you to all who participated in the Opportunity Drawing Raffle. 665 tickets were bought by y'all (that's \$665 - less PayPal fees)!! And congratulations to the winners:

- The Sunflower & Bees basket - Linda Queen
- The Spa basket - Denise Mitchell
- \$50 Target - Linda Halbur
- \$50 Buca di Beppo - Susie Autry
- \$50 Whole Foods - Denise Mitchell
- \$25 Subway & \$25 Peet's Coffee - Carolyn McCormick
- \$25 Chipotle & \$25 Stackers - Kaycee Stack
- 6 Movie Tickets - Susie Autry

Thank you,
Sally Barron
3rd VP/Ways & Means

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY – MARTHA DOOSE



As we embark on what is remaining of our Club year, let us keep this thought in mind and make every effort to try our best to engage in all Club activities. Your rewards will be great!

As always, I also would like to encourage everyone again to contact me when necessary by using the "Be Caring Form" on our member website so I may correspond with those in need.

Martha Doose,
Corresponding Secretary

DIRECTOR OF FINANCE – DOTTIE JENSEN

Financial Report:

We ended September with a book balance of \$10,806.30. We will have a full financial report at our general meeting on November 19th.

Of this money we have restricted funds of \$1,800 from grants and sponsorships. Leaving the club with a total of \$9,000 to complete our expenses this year.

Hopefully we will be able to have a spring craft fair or other fund raisers.

DOTTIE JENSEN

PARLENTARIAN – CARRIE KNIPFER

A recommendation from a committee of more than two people does not need a motion or a second to be considered by the assembly or board.

The Chair of the Committee (or whomever is presenting the report) states the recommendation and the Chair (of the meeting) proceeds directly to debate on the recommendation. The reason no motion is necessary is that the committee was instructed by the assembly to make these recommendations; therefore, the motion and second occurred when the committee was given the assignment. The Chair (of the meeting) says ‘The matter before you is the committee recommendation to (state the recommendation), is there any debate?’

If the committee is a committee of one, no motion is necessary, but a second is necessary.

Recommendation from a committee should be taken up, debated and voted on when the committee report is given, they should not be held until new business.

Carrie Knipfer

PROGRAMS

SEW KIND AND THREADS OF LOVE

In November, Every Member, Must Remember;

To be thankful for so many things and the Sewing Groups are thankful that through this year we have still been able to sew and donate so many items to the various charities that we support- - and of course we are thankful for the good health to be able to do this.

They will continue to sew at home and donate as we have been doing during the year. If anyone would like to join in working on our projects, just give one of the Chairmen a call or email. Watch for further word as to when the workshops will be able to resume in the Community Center.

Aileen Baker & Andrea Hagen; Sew Kind Co-Chairmen
Jackie McPheeters; Threads of Love Chairman

What a great job our members are doing keeping our projects going when we haven't been able to meet. The "Free the Girls" project is a great success.. We have collected around 145

bras for this project which continues until May. Jackie McPheeters wants to thank everyone who has helped with her "Navajo" project. Jackie is on her way to the reservation with donations from our club and others. I have seen her van and it is beyond full. What a special gift to others. If anyone wants to purchase basketballs for Christmas for the kids at the reservation she will be taking checks until early December. Also for the members who have asked if we are helping with Christmas gifts for the kids at Camp Pendleton an e-blast will be coming. Camp Pendleton is working on something for the kids and we will help where we can.

Donna Watkins

Civic Engagement and Outreach

ENVIRONMENT – BIRD SANCTUARY

Member Question - Are the sanctuary signs originals or replacements?

Historic Moment - 45 years after the city designated Yorba Linda as a Bird Sanctuary in 1968, the very first ever 'Yorba Linda is a Bird Sanctuary' sign was installed on June 26, 2013, at Yorba Linda Blvd. close to Jefferson Street. Later, others were installed near the City Limits at principal entrances to the City.



First Sign Dedication 2013

Yorba Linda City Mayor - Tom Lindsey
YLWC President - Marcia Willett 2013-2016

l-r, Karlene Ballard, Pamela Harris, Then-Mayor Tom Lindsey, Then- President -Marcia Willet, Mary Karpell, Esther Murray, Pat Porter, Sandy Castle, Karin Winnert, Kathy Carswell, Jewell Hollingsworth. Kneeling l-r, Heather Laporte, her Granddaughter Brylee Hicks, Susan Hillman, Olivia Alessi

Member contribution - Bewick's Wrens & House Wrens

Some environmental contributions - Wrens' diet- bugs, mosquitos, flies, spiders, grasshoppers, crickets, eat spiders from our outdoor furniture.

Members' Photography -



Mother & Baby Bewick's
Audubon
Jackie McPheeters



Bewick's
Olivia Alessi



House Wren -



Wren house tree, Jane & Ralph Spence
Spence



House Wren eggs - pink w/specks, Jane

~Thank you for sharing~

OLIVIA ALESSI

On behalf of the Legacy Rose Garden Committee, thank you for accepting the Board's recommendation for members to "Adopt a Rosebush" for the rose garden at the new library. If you are interested in adopting for \$30, watch for a sign-up sheet in an early November eBlast. While 22 adoptees will have the option to recommend a particular rosebush, the landscaper will make final decisions based on sustainability. Rosebushes will most likely be planted in December or January. We'll give the rosebushes time to bloom before organizing a dedication ceremony; probably in May of 2021. If you are a member of the local Garden Club, please feel free to visit the garden regularly and report your findings. We value your expertise and would appreciate the feedback. Our goal is to arrange for small groups to tour the library next year. Stay tuned!

Louise Hernandez, Committee Chair

Thursday, November 19, will be delivery day for the lap blankets for the Smile Makers project. I will park on the south side of the Community Center from 9:00 to 10:00 A.M. and again from 12:30 to 1:30 to get your donation as you drive by. The Club also has a meeting at 7:00 P.M. I will be parked as near to the entrance as possible so you can drop off your lap blankets before attending the meeting. Do not wrap the blankets—a shopping bag is better.

At this time, I do not have information about wrapping other than they plan to wrap the first two weeks of December in Irvine.

Pat Porter

Hi Pat and Sally

I get e-mails from the Council on Aging since I give to them during the year and they sent me the link to their youtube video about SmileMakers and it's very well done.

Here is something interesting to share with our club.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I3D6HeYRtx8&feature=youtu.be>

Ruth Gruchow

Thank you for your support! We had lots of comics to give to Cypress Woman's Club too!

10/1/2020 pet	\$	75.00
baby	\$	213.00
food	\$	905.00
non-food	\$	3,710.55
	\$	4,903.55
10/9/2020 pet	\$	28.00
baby	\$	31.50
food	\$	577.00
non-food	\$	5,736.30
	\$	6,372.80

SUSAN HILLMAN
AND ISABEL SERNA

A BIG THANK YOU to our Members for donating 28 boxes of Cereal at our last Meeting to help support the Cereal For Kids Program! GCH is re-introducing Volunteering in a way that meets the current COVID environment. Ten of our Members have signed up to participate in outdoor Volunteering on Tuesday, October 27th and are all looking forward to this hands-on opportunity.

We would like to recognize our Member MaryAnn Alcocer who has been translating GCH Family Survey Messages. MaryAnn's detailed translating abilities ensure the integrity of the messages remain intact and she is very much appreciated by GCH - Thank you MaryAnn!

Anna Nickl and Katie Hranuelli Co-Chairs

TOPAZ READING PROGRAM

It is with no surprise, but with a sad heart, that I must report the our Topaz Reading Program will not be part of the agenda at Topaz Elementary School this school year.

Due to all of the restrictions that Covid has placed on schools, no volunteers are allowed on campus in any capacity.

Maria Lumby, the Topaz librarian, said how much the students and teachers will miss our program. I told her that my readers will be ready and waiting for the day when we are allowed to return because we really miss them too.

Margie Donovan
Project Chair - Topaz Reading Program

Domestic Violence

Essential Oils: A Therapeutic Tool Used by the Task Force

The aftermath of human trafficking trauma is often Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) which leads to sleepless nights and triggers feelings of despair and hopelessness. The Task Force caseworkers use essential oils to redirect feelings through the sense of smell. This is called aromatherapy. Pure essential oils are made from flowers, herbs, bark, roots, peels and petals.

Aromatherapy activates the smell receptors in the nose which sends messages through the nervous system to the brain activating the limbic system. The limbic system plays a key role in emotions. Specifically, the Hypothalamus releases serotonin, the "feel good" chemical in the brain overriding the emotions of fear and despair.

Caseworkers who assist survivors in court carry essential oils in their care packet to de-escalate panic and bolster bravery. Volunteer victim advocates administer the oils in the case of crippling flashbacks of trauma comfort the survivor. If a particular survivor is struggling daily, an oil is given to them as a self-empowerment tool. Making it easier for that person to believe “I’m safe and I can handle this.” Essential oils enable survivors to redirect into a life of wholeness by overcoming the effects of PTSD.

Lucy Park



SECTIONS

Socialite

Thank you to all who joined us at Nikki’s Kitchen for our lunch on October 14th. Food was very good and the company was better. Thanks so much to Ans Varenhorst for donating the succulent pumpkin center pieces. We sold the centerpieces and deposited \$95.00 into our general fund.

Our November Socialite lunch will be at 11:30 am on Wednesday November 11th at The Habit Burger Grill in the YLTC at 18405 Yorba Linda Blvd.

We will have the outside tables, so enter and order your food and come out on the patio where I will be.

This is Veterans Day, so please wear your red shirts in honor of our veterans.

We will not have a socialite dinner in November, because of Thanksgiving.

YLWC HOLIDAY PARTY

We will have an outdoor COVID safe party at Marcia Willett's Residence. She has a beautiful BIG back yard.

The party will be from 2 to 4 PM on Saturday December 5th at 17037 Rosebud Dr, Yorba Linda. There will be parking for everyone. Please save the places closest to Marcia's for our ladies with walkers and canes. Marcia has a large concrete area where we will set up tables for easy access.

We will have food, wine, dessert, games and lots of visiting with our members.

Many of you have signed up at our general meeting in October. If you have not, PLEASE contact Dottie Jensen, 714-322-0135, dottie.jensen@sbcglobal.net.

Dress will be holiday casual – AND OF COURSE Shields or masks.

Please give me a call if you have any questions.

The Holiday Party Committee

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Halbur	Linda	Nov-9
Harrell	Pamela	Nov-9
Harris	Diane	Nov-9
Cieslak	Diane	Nov-12
Sorrells	Leslie	Nov-16
Baker	Aileen	Nov-18
Castle	Sandra	Nov-21
Bowen	Cheryl	Nov-24
Lee	Lisa	Nov-24
Suero	Mona	Nov-25
Jensen	Dottie	Nov-29
