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APRIL 2024 NEWSLETTER

President's Message **Lynn Robinson**

A big thank you to Annette and all the volunteers who stepped up and took over the Rummage Sale! See Annette's article for more sale results.

Thank you to Carolyn for once again taking on the See's Candy Sale. We have many boxes of See's Suckers for the USO and this time each sucker has a tag thanking the service member for their service from The Torrance Woman's Club.

Remember the Marina District Convention and our Fashion Show. Both flyers are at the end of this newsletter.

Watch out for those April Fools pranks and I will see you on April 3rd!



APRIL CALENDAR

March 28	Reservation deadline for April 3 rd meeting
April 2, 10 am	Set up for tomorrow's meeting
April 3	General meeting 10 am Social Hour 11 am. Business.Mtg. 12 pm Lunch & Program
Past Presidents' recognition	
April 12	Newsletter articles due
April 13, 8 am	Marina District Convention, \$65
April 17, 10-12 pm	Helping Hands
April 24, 10 a.m.	Board Meeting- Zoom
April 25	Reservation for May 1 Meeting
April 27, 11am-3pm	Fashion Show, \$70



Bring \$40 yearly dues to the April meeting.

1st VP – DEAN OF CHAIRMEN, **Carolyn Pohlner**

Advocates for Children

The Volunteer Center recently published a plea requesting the following items for their Food Pantry:

- Fruit Cups
- Pasta - canned and dried
- Pasta Sauce
- Peanut butter and Jelly
- A loaf of bread, or crackers would go nicely with that PB!

Please think of the children and be generous.

California Federation of Women's Clubs

The Marina District Annual Convention will be held at our TWC Clubhouse, Saturday April 13th. See attached flyer for all the details.

Environment

We continue to collect the plastic lids and bottle caps for the "Buddy Benches. No RX bottles please!

Health & Wellness

Calling all blood donors. Torrance Memorial Hospital is currently experiencing a critical blood shortage, especially type O blood. Your donation will help ensure our patients get the treatment they need. Just one donation can save up to three. lives. Be a hero and call the **Torrance Memorial Blood Donor Center** at **310-517-4647** to schedule your blood donation today!

Speaking of **TMMC**. . .This year Torrance Memorial ranked 247th in the world, 43rd best hospital in the nation and **10th best in California**.



HOSPITALITY

Hello Lovely Ladies

Our meeting will be on Wednesday, April 3rd and setup will be on Tuesday, April 2nd at 10:00 am. If you did not get a chance to sign up at the last meeting and would like to help with setting up ☕🍷, please feel free to come on over! Your help is always appreciated and welcomed!

Thank you and see you soon! Lois

APRIL PROGRAM **Carolyn Pohlner**

At our April 3rd General Meeting, we will recognize TWC's Past Presidents, who helped shape our club and left a positive impact upon all of us. Celebrate with each other as we enjoy an English TEA for lunch and we honor the past presidents with small tokens of appreciation. They are:

Barbara Bounds	2005-2007
Katheen Davis	2007-2009
Deanna Hanson	2009-2011
Fran Day	2014-2016
Anita Dinicola	2016-2018
Barbara Freeman	2011-2013
Barvara Freeman	2018-2020

Evening Division Chairwomen

Lee Large	1974-1976
Connie Vassie	1992-1194
Linda Lescoe	1997-1998
Janet Payne	1998-2000



The Program that day will feature Ms. Gay Storm, an Historical Impersonator, performing "Missed Manners" - illustrating how proper manners and etiquette have evolved over the years.

RESERVATIONS

Susan Warner

Reservation due date is Thursday, March 28 1st. The \$20 reservation fee is paid at the door when you arrive. If you do make a reservation and are unable to attend, we kindly request that you be responsible for the fee and notify our treasurer. Sharon Broadbent.

Please make your reservation with Susan Warner.

Telephone (310) 534-4092

Or

E-mail luvsapanda1@aol.com

Reservations need to be made the Thursday before each monthly general meeting. Looking forward to seeing all of our incredible TWC ladies each Membership

Technology Chair in the Corner

Mary Alessandra-Cook

Enhancing Network Security Made Easy: A Quick Guide

In the digital realm, our home networks often resemble bustling metropolises, teeming with an array of devices vying for connection. You could have over 100 devices alone in your home using your Wi-Fi – a testament to the modern interconnected lifestyle. Undoubtedly, you too may find yourself in a similar situation, with family members, roommates, and perhaps even surreptitious neighbors tapping into your Wi-Fi__33. The realization that our networks are more crowded than we imagine can be unsettling, but fret not – a simple yet effective solution exists.

The Simplest Method:

Initiate your security audit by accessing your router's online interface. Armed with your computer's IP address, navigate to your browser's address bar and input this key information. From there, a menu will materialize, granting you access to your router's settings. Whether you employ a custom username and password or rely on default credentials, the choice is yours.

Scan the roster of connected devices, identifiable under labels such as "DHCP Client" or "Connected Devices." If any unfamiliar entries catch your eye, it's imperative to take action promptly. Changing your Wi-Fi__33 password and selectively reestablishing connections with trusted devices is a necessary albeit slightly inconvenient task.

Empower an App:

For those seeking a streamlined alternative, consider harnessing the power of technology with tools like Advanced IP Scanner. Compatible with Windows 10 and 11, this free and reliable application simplifies the scanning process, rendering it more accessible than navigating the router's online interface. With just a click of a button, you can swiftly ascertain the composition of your network.

Professional-Grade Solutions:

For comprehensive network management, opt for Acrylic's Wi-Fi Analyzer, a preferred choice of experts. While the free version provides insights into up to five devices, investing in the paid subscription unlocks unlimited device monitoring, network traffic analysis, and password management functionalities. Ideal for businesses or households with multiple networks, its versatility makes it a worthy investment.

Beware of Unwanted Guests:

In your quest to fortify your network, don't overlook the importance of purging redundant connections. Bid adieu to unused devices – old phones, speakers, gaming consoles, and the like. Furthermore, extend the same courtesy to infrequent guests or technicians who may have accessed your network temporarily.

A Touch of Humor:

You can tell which of your neighbors has a sense of humor... and that they take actions to secure their network. You might see something like "FBI Surveillance Van" as a nearby network. Now, unless you see that surreptitious white van parked on your street, you are probably ok. Just realize that if you give such a playful moniker to your own network, you might get some unexpected reactions from your neighbors. It is always ok to embrace the whimsy, just never compromise on having strong security.

In conclusion, safeguarding your network need not be an arduous undertaking. With the right tools and a proactive mindset, you can ensure that your digital domain remains impervious to unwelcome intrusions.

Mary Alessandra-Cook

Rewritten concept from Kim Komando

Newsletter using ChatGPT

2ND VP – MEMBERSHIP

Janice Petrosino

Now that the holidays are over, we are back getting busy with all our club events and fundraisers. Please invite your friends to our fabulous Fashion Show in April or just ask them to join us for a wonderful lunch at our meeting. They might just like what we are doing and want to join. You may be surprised as to what happens...we will gain new members. Last year we had six new members so let's see if we can double it in 2024.

This year let's all try to meet and greet new members and welcome them to the club. Volunteer to serve as a chairman or help at an event. Remember this club needs each and every one of us to make The Torrance Woman's Club a success.

Helping Hands

Bette Herbst

In January, twenty bears were delivered to Torrance Memorial Medical Center and twenty Bears to Little Company of Mary Emergency Department. In addition, seventy-nine [turtle pillows and sixty fleece quilts were sent to the Paul Newman Camp.

To keep these projects going we need your help.

We need members to cut and sew Huggy Bears and comfort quilts. This can be done at home or at the club each month on the third Wednesday from 10 am until 12 noon when Helping Hands meets.

The Daily Breeze had an article in the paper about Joanne's declaring bankruptcy and going out of business. An advertisement for the store said everything was 70% off—that includes fleece blanket kits, which we use for making the blankets for the campers at Paul Newman's camp. Please go to the store and purchase these kits for our Helping Hands project. If you see anything, else that we could use, make that purchase also. THANK YOU

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

4	Alison Jones
6	Ghislaine [Ges] Davis
11	Pam Barrett Hill
13	Joan Haefeli
18	Janice Petrosino
20	Betty Robertson
25	Carol Woods



CITY OF TORRANCE COMMISSION ON AGING

Mary Hileman, TWC Member Commissioner, Commission on Aging

You are invited to the next meeting on Tuesday, April 2nd at 9:30 am in the Commission Meeting room in the West Annex building (3031 Torrance Blvd.), which is located next door to the City Hall. The program will be a Social Services Commission presentation by Julia Smith, the Social Services Commission Liaison.

City of Torrance Weekly eNewsletter: Did you know that the city publishes a weekly online eNewsletter every Thursday? In it you can read

about what is happening in Torrance. It is a great way to stay in the loop. Subscribe at eNewsletter@TorranceCA.Gov

City of Torrance Home Improvement Program: The Home Improvement Program is a free program in which Disabled Individuals and Senior Citizens can have home improvement services completed provided they meet certain criteria and are Torrance residents. Services provided include, but not limited to, disability upgrades for the home and minor repairs. The application for this program can be found on the city's website.

Centenarian Award: The Centenarian Award is a celebration of Torrance residents who have reached the beautiful age of 100. Each Centenarian is honored at a City Council meeting with a City Resolution and a Commemorative coin. If you are nearing 100 years of age, or know someone who is, let us know so that they may be part of this memorable celebration. The application for Centenarian is on the city's website.



The Rummage Sale was a wonderful opportunity to clean out a closet or a drawer. Some members donated their stuff and took home even more!

I'm pleased to announce that TWC made \$1883.00!

And I'd like to especially thank the following:

Richard Brice for setting up the clubhouse, being present to let in the crew, helping people carry in donations, making coffee and going above and beyond with his support.

Bonnie Kerber-Louvet & Juanita Davis for coordinating the pickup of unsold clothing, blankets, shoes, and books.

Lynda Myers for coordinating the pickup of the remaining unsold items.

Sharon Broadbent & Pam Ament for cashiering.

Carolyn Pohlner for the doughnuts.

Betty Robertson, Lois Koza, Bonnie Kerber-Louvet, Juanita Davis & Terry Moore for their invaluable time and support.

Janet Payne for putting the Rummage Sale into motion before she left town.

On behalf of TWC, I THANK ALL who contributed to this wonderful fundraiser.

Annette

Bonnie Kerber-Louvet read this poem at the Celebration of Life for Hildegard.

The call was sudden, the shock severe
We never thought the time was near.
You live with us in memory
Still not just today, but always will.
You bade no one a last farewell
You said goodbye to none.
The heavenly gates just opened wide
And a loving voice said come.

Geraldene Mosman (Bonnie's grandmother)



Torrance Woman's Club presents

High Heels

& Pearls



Fashion Show

Saturday, April 27, 2024

11:00 am to 3:00 pm

Torrance Woman's Clubhouse

1422 Engracia Ave, Torrance CA 90501

\$70 per person

Proceeds to the Scholarship Fund

Name: _____

Phone or email: _____

Mail check payable to the Torrance Woman's Club

Sharon Broadbent ~ 1903 261st Street, Lomita, CA 90717

Please provide guest's names with your payment

Priority seating for complete tables of 10 reserved by March 27

Please indicate if a vegetarian meal is required

Marina District

68TH CONVENTION

April 13, 2024.

The Torrance Woman's Club

Continental Breakfast

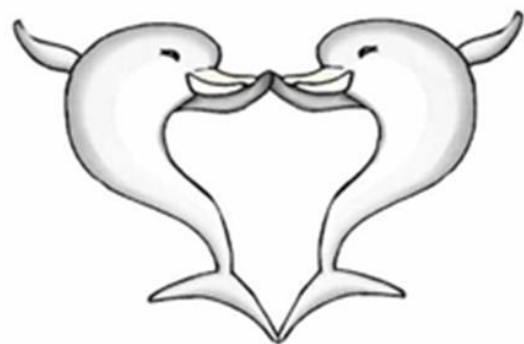
1422 Engracia Avenue

3 course Luncheon

Torrance, California 90501

CONTEST WINNERS

CLUB AWARDS



Entertainment by Music Scholarship Winners

Opportunities and Opportunity Baskets

Special Gifts for First Timers

all for \$65.00