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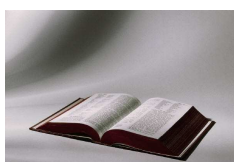
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Chapter Meeting

Tues. May 24, 2011



This month's meeting is centered around our favorite genre's, books or authors. Each participant is to bring and discuss their favorite author, book OR genre. Plan to come to the meeting to discuss the following:

If you are discussing your favorite author, please share why you like this author. What does this author give to you as a reader that keeps you coming back for more. Do you read other authors in this same genre.

If you want to discuss your favorite "genre"... Explain why you lean towards this type of genre. What do you look for in a book in this genre? Is there a particular favorite book or author in this genre that you like the most and why. Do the same if you want to share your favorite book.

If you have books you would like to share, either to loan out (be sure to let the loaner know you want it back) or to pay it forward. Lets have fun with this, I think we will learn a lot about each other!

Meeting Location



**Best Western Hotel 118 East Orangethorpe
Placentia, CA (714) 528-7778**

Networking 6:00pm Meeting 6:30pm

R.S.V.P. Carol Smith (562) 925-7023

Menu

A light dinner will be provided. Please plan to bring your own beverage.

Meeting Policy

All members have a standing dinner reservation. Banquet chairperson confirms with the hotel the Wednesday before the scheduled meeting. Chapter is committed to the number confirmed with the hotel. Please remember to call & cancel your reservation or you will be billed for your attendance unless other arrangements are made in advance & confirmed with Carol Smith. Thank you for your understanding.



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The mission of the American Business Women's Association is to bring together businesswomen of diverse occupations and to provide opportunities for them to help themselves and others grow personally and professionally through leadership, education, networking support, and national recognition.

CHAPTER MISCELLANY



May is election month for the new chapter year which begins in August. Have you considered running for a board position? It is great experience to boost your presentation, organization and networking skills. If you are interested in any board position, do not hesitate to contact Sandee Jeffers, Chapter President. Thanks for your consideration of strengthening the Placentia Stars chapter of ABWA.



WISDOM & POWER MIGHTY QUOTES



If you have knowledge, let others light their candles in it.

Margaret Fuller



A national goal this year is to get 5000 ABWA members logged onto WIN. The majority of our chapter members have already done this but there are still a few that have not checked out WIN. Go to abwa.org today and sign up.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 11, 2011 LAAC meeting

July 9, 2011 Impact Council meeting

August 6, 2011 Hats Off—LAAC

September 2011 National Leadership Conference—Texas

President's Message

May 2011

Dear Placentia Stars Members,



Spring Conference in Santa Fe was really great. Our speaker for the seminar was so dynamic that everyone was energized the whole day. I know I didn't fall asleep once. The stores in the historic plaza and surrounding areas had beautiful statuary inside and out, wonderful art work and beautiful jewelry. Bryna, Carol S. and I shopped 'til we dropped every chance we got. I can't say enough about the food. We found incredible restaurants everywhere we went. We met up with Carol P. for a photo op and lunch and again found good food.

Carol P. headed home on Sunday. We went on to Taos to see the mission el Santuario de Chimayo, built around 1612. It is a holy shrine said to have miracle dirt, which when brewed and drunk like a tea or rubbed on a diseased part of the body can bring miraculous results to ailing believers. We planned to see the Taos Pueblo but the cold, wind and dirt prevented that. Our next stop was the Rio Grande Gorge Bridge which is 650 feet above the Rio Grande with a span of 1,280 feet. We walked half way across. What a fantastic view! Again we found great food in the historical Taos plaza. When the snow flurries started we figured we had better get back to Santa Fe. It was a good thing as heavier snow came down on the way back.

Monday, before heading back to Albuquerque to catch our flight home we stopped at the State Capitol which is the only round capitol building in the U.S. Then we went to the Loretto Chapel which was modeled after King Louis IX's Sainte-Chapelle in Paris. It also houses the Miraculous Staircase built between 1877 and 1881. It took 6 months to build and has two 360 degree turns with no visible means of support. It was constructed by a mysterious carpenter who disappeared after it was built. We also visited the Chapel of San Miguel built between 1610 and 1626. We took the Turquoise Trail back to Albuquerque and stopped in the town of Madrid on the way back. The movie "Wild Hogs" was filmed there. We are back home, happy but very, very tired. Great

Sandee Jeffers, Placentia Stars - President

**Placentia Stars
2010-2011**

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Placentia Stars Meeting Notes, April 2011

Date: April 26, 2011

Location: Best Western Plus, Placentia, CA

NOTE: Dinner preceded the meeting and was hosted by Lynn Gaytan.

President Sandee Jeffers called the meeting to order at 6:55. Lynn Gaytan led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

The February and March Secretary's minutes were published in the April newsletter and were approved as published.

Action on the March Treasurer's report was deferred until the May meeting.

There were no birthdays or anniversaries during the month of April.

Business Meeting:

Woman of the Year – Lynne McConnell conducted the 2011 – 2012 WOTY ceremony. Congratulations to our President, Sandee Jeffers, for being selected for this honor. Lynne also awarded "Star" awards to all other members of the Chapter for their continuing contributions to Placentia Stars. Way to go, one and all.

Little Lotto was deferred until the May meeting, at which time two drawings will be made.

Upcoming activities:

29-30 April: District VI Spring Conference in Santa Fe, NM.

14 May: Inland Valley Council.

17 June: "Cowabunga Hand 11" car show and dinner-dance at the Yorba Linda Community Center benefiting the Placentia Rotary Club local charities – a non-ABWA event that may be of interest to our members.

6 August: Hats Off – LAAC

September: National Leadership Conference in Irving, TX.

Program:

Lynne McConnell conducted the program which consisted of hands-on crafting of Easter-themed ribbon balls. Lynne instructed and guided the members in this fun event that resulted in some very colorful ornaments.

Lynn Gaytan led the benediction and Sandee adjourned the meeting at 8:30.

Attendance: 6 members and 1 guest (National Member Pam Tancordo).

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Jeffers, Secretary

***A picture is worth a thousand words... pictures from the
Western Regional Spring Conference in Santa Fe***



Waiting for the Friday evening banquet to begin.



Carol Peterson with Susan Debin at the Saturday



2011 Top Ten Business Women of ABWA at the banquet; Bernetta, Susan, MyChelle and Bryna

In Recognition of our Fallen Soldiers



Memorial Day was originally called Decoration Day, in observance of those that have died serving our country. Women of the civil war area decorated graves of the fallen soldiers. Memorial Day was officially observed on May 5, 1868 with flowers placed on the graves of confederate and union soldiers at Arlington National Cemetery. The first state to observe it was New York in 1873. By 1890 northern states had recognized it, but the south refused to recognize the occasion until after WWI. Memorial Day is officially celebrated the last Monday of May, by an act of congress passed with the National Holiday Act in 1971, to ensure a 3 day holiday for federal workers and others.

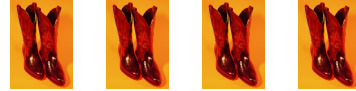
Placentia Stars on the web at
www.abwaplacentiastars.org

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www.laacabwa.org

Impact Council
www.impactabwa.org

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It is time to start thinking about attending the National Women's Leadership Conference in Irving Texas in September. One of the innovative things our national association has done is to allow members to utilize the pre-payment plan which allows you to stretch your registration into 4 payments. The first payment begins at the end of May so be sure and check out the registration form on line at ABWA.org. Before you know it September will be here—yee haw!!

Celebrate Anniversaries/Birthdays



Lynne McConnell A 5/11
 Carol Smith A 5/29

INVOCATION

Lord, In the quiet of this hour we come to thee for wisdom and for power, to view thy world through only love filled eyes, to grow in understanding, to be wise, and sure to see our guiding light, and thus to know each other as thou knowest us, AMEN.

BENEDICTION

Oh guiding spirit guardian of our days, be with us as we go our separate ways, help us to feel those thoughts that lift and bless, to know a closer bond of friendliness, to see thy beauty always every day, translated into living this we pray,

LITTLE LOTTO



April and May 2011 winners will be drawn at the May 24th meeting. Don't miss it!

ABWA's Proud Code of Conduct

1. All members will serve as goodwill ambassadors for the American Business Women's Association.
2. Members will not allow their personal beliefs and convictions to interfere with the representation of ABWA's mission.
3. Members will always treat their member colleagues, guests, vendors and sponsors with honesty, respect, fairness, integrity, responsibility, kindness, and in good faith.
4. Members will maintain compliance with ABWA National, Chapter and Express Network Bylaws.
5. Members will not use their personal power to advance their personal interests.
6. Members will strive for excellence in their professions by maintaining and enhancing their own business knowledge and skills, and by encouraging the professional development of other members.