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October Chapter Meeting

Tues. October 25, 2011



This month's chapter meeting will be our first annual Halloween Masquerade Tea. We will be meeting in Lakewood at a private residence hosted by The Silver Tray.

This unique Victorian style home is filled with tea treasures and decorated for Halloween. We will be meeting at 6pm—please note the time change from 6:30pm for an evening of food, tea, mask judging and a Chinese auction for baskets of all types.

If you haven't given your RSVP to Carol Smith the deadline has been extended until tomorrow. You need to do so today as we have to give a count to our hostess. Don't miss this fun filling evening—check out the flyer on page 5 for more information—see you there!!!

Monthly 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

**Please note this month's meeting with
be held at 4419 Canehill,
Lakewood, CA 90713**

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



Remember to pick up your tickets for our Little Lotto fundraiser from Carol Smith, selling for only \$10 per ticket. The first drawing will begin in January and we need each chapter member to support our fundraising efforts. This will allow us to support things like member education and council events. Thank you in advance for your participation.

**WISDOM & POWER
MIGHTY QUOTES**


You may be disappointed if you fail, but you are doomed if you don't try.

Beverly Sills



Have you logged onto WIN recently? We found out that one of the top users of WIN is our very own Carol Smith! There are new resources added weekly. Check out the latest and greatest for ABWA—log on today!!!

UPCOMING EVENTS


October 25, 2011—Pl. Stars Halloween Tea/Fundraiser

November 12, 2011—Inland Valley Council meeting

December 10, 2011—LAAC Council meeting

President's Message

October 2011

Dear Placentia Stars Members and Friends,



Witches on brooms usher in Halloween bringing with them black cats, ghosts and goblins, oh my! All sorts of scary creatures abound on this special night, Dracula with his fangs, The Mummy, Wolf man and Frankenstein, to name a few. It's fun to see the little ones, out trick-or-treating, in their cute and sometimes frightening costumes. There are costume parties for young and old alike. Jack-o' lantern carving is always fun, so is bobbing for apples and telling scary stories. Watch out for things that go bump in the night.

In the Middle Ages poor folk would go door to door receiving food in return for prayers for the dead. It originated in Ireland and Britain but similar practices were also found in Italy. Halloween was first recorded in North America in 1911. Mass-produced Costumes appeared in stores in the 1930s as trick-or-treating was becoming popular in the United States.

Christian attitudes towards Halloween are diverse. The Anglican Church emphasizes All Saints' Day traditions. In Boston they have a Saint Fest. The Protestants celebrate as Reformation Day and have fun events for children. Most Christians find no negative significance to celebrating Halloween. They hold party events at their churches where both parents and children can enjoy games, contests and treats. Some do consider Halloween to be incompatible with the Christian faith believing it to have originated as a pagan "Festival of the Dead". Celtic Neo Pagans consider the season a holy time of year. It is, after all, what you make it, fun for some religious for others, and sometimes both.

Remember to make plans to attend the Halloween "Mask"querade Tea October 25th @ 6:15 It is shaping up to be a memorable and fun evening. Get busy on those masks. It will be at a private residence in Lakewood. The cost is \$35.00. Please tell your family and friends about this event. . I'm sure they will want to join us. Contact Carol Smith for information.

Sandee Jeffers, President Placentia Stars

**Placentia Stars
2011-2012**

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PLACENTIA STARS MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 2011

Date: 27 September 2011

Location: Best Western Plus, Placentia, CA

NOTE: Dinner preceded the meeting and was hosted by Julie Cole. Julie hosted with pizza, salad, cake, and bottled water. Wine was also available. Thanks, Julie.

President Sandee Jeffers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Lynn Gaytan led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. Afterward, Sandee asked for self introductions and "what you most like about autumn.

The Secretary's minutes were approved as published in the August newsletter.

The Treasurer's Report was also approved as published and filed for audit.

Membership: Carol Peterson celebrated a birthday on 9/1 and ABWA anniversary on 9/23/80.

Program: Speakers Marilyn, Arnie and Fort Pike – "The Other Woman and how a marriage can survive the aftermath."

Arnie is a former aerospace employee and small business owner who has done volunteer work with CHOC, the American Heart Association, and other organizations and has won numerous related awards. Since his stroke in 1998, he has become a tireless activist for making the everyday world more accessible for persons with disabilities.

Marilyn is a former teacher and volunteer for several organizations. Like Arnie, she has been recognized repeatedly for her volunteer work. She now focuses primarily on helping Arnie in his endeavors on behalf of the disabled.

Fort is a trained service animal and Arnie's teammate. As a service animal, she is allowed to go anywhere Arnie goes . . . stores, restaurants, hospitals, theaters, planes just like a guard dog. Starting at the age of eight weeks, it took two years to train her. It took Arnie three weeks to be trained to work with Fort.

Fort has been trained to help her teammate (Arnie) to become more independent. She knows 90 commands (turning lights on and off, picking up dropped items and, more importantly, she provides emotional support for Arnie. She's also his "chick magnet." And she loves to work.

Business Meeting:

Carol Smith and Bryna Dambrowski reported on the National Leadership Conference in Irving, Texas.

The program for October is the Placentia Stars Halloween Tea meeting and fund raiser. Carol Smith will also conduct the Little Lotto program in 2012.

Chapter Dues: \$36 for the year.

Announcements:

- Karen Mazo, who was present at the meeting, is collecting blankets, towels, and other items for Operation Blankets of Love – for dogs and other animals.
- October 8 – Impact Council Tea \$25.00
- October 15 – El Dorado Chapter day trip to San Manuel Indian Casino.

Patti Vargas is now ABWA National Secretary/Treasurer.

Little Lotto drawings: Angel Cabrera, Lynne McConnell – August, Dave Cole – September.

Count: Seven members, five guests (including Fort)

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

Respectfully submitted,

Carl Jeffers, Secretary



Happy Halloween

Placentia Stars Presents

Annual Halloween Party

A "Mask"querade Tea

"Everyone bring a Hand Made Mask"

Judging Contest ~ Door Prizes ~ Raffles

Hosted by: The Silver Tray

(A Private Residence)

4419 Canehill Ave

Lakewood, CA 90713

Date: Tuesday ~ October 25th ~ 6:00 pm

Cost: \$35 ~ (Prepay only)

Limited seating ~ First Come Basis ~ Need to Book Early!

Reservations: Carol Smith (562) 925-7023 ~ Deadline on or before Oct 10th

Payable to ABWA/Placentia Stars ~ Mail to Carol Smith~6019 Hardwick St.~ Lakewood, CA 90713

Name/Names _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Contact # _____ Email _____

_____ @ \$35.00 ea.

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

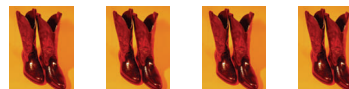
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www.abwaplacentiastars.org

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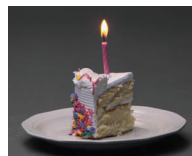
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Fantastic news from this year's national leadership conference, our very own District VI Vice President, Pattie Vargas won the election for ABWA National Secretary/Treasurer! Congratulate Pattie on her new position and welcome Mychelle Andrews as our newest District VI Vice President. We are fortunate to have these two dynamos to support our efforts!!!

Celebrate Anniversaries/Birthdays



No anniversaries or birthdays for the month of October

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.

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



July—Angel Cabral

**August— Lynne
 McConnell**

September—Dave Cole